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# MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

SHANGHAI.

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## REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1878,

AND

## BUDGET

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1879.

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# MUNICIPAL REPORT.

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THE Council beg to submit to the Ratepayers their Report for the Municipal year ending 31st December, 1878.

On entering into office upon 18th March last, your Council, accompanied by the Members of the retiring Council, proceeded to the Court Yard of the Central Station where the Police force was paraded for inspection. The Members expressed their satisfaction at the smart appearance of the men, and the Chairman, Mr. HART, complimented Mr. PENFOLD and the Inspectors upon the general good conduct and efficiency displayed by the Force during the year.

The Cells and Police Barracks were then inspected, and everything found clean and in good order; finally the Armoury was visited and the Stock of Arms of all kinds examined and found to be in serviceable order, and fit for immediate use.

Upon returning to the Board Room, Mr. HART remarked that, as most of the old members had been re-elected, it was unnecessary for him to say anything about outstanding Municipal matters, and Mr. COWIE, on behalf of the retiring Council, offered a cordial vote of thanks to Mr. HART for acting as their Chairman during the past year. Mr. HART thanked his colleagues for the compliment paid to him, and the members of the retiring Council having withdrawn, the meeting proceeded to business and elected as office bearers:—

*Chairman*—Mr. J. HART.

*Vice-Chairman*—Mr. E. H. LAVERS.

*Defence Committee*—MESSRS. J. HART, R. H. ARTINDALE, and E. G. LOW.

*Finance Committee*—MESSRS. G. J. W. COWIE, P. G. HÜBBE, and E. H. LAVERS.

*Watch Committee*—MESSRS. J. HART, R. H. ARTINDALE, and J. H. WISNER.

*Works Committee*—MESSRS. E. G. LOW, R. MACKENZIE, and G. WITHERS.

*No. 2 Company*—Remains without change, the officers still retaining their appointments.

*Artillery*.—Capt. Dallas stated at the Meeting on 8th November, that this Corps had always been maintained in a state of efficiency, and had nearly its full strength on the list.

*Shanghai Mounted Rangers*—May be said to have virtually ceased to exist, for although nominally there are some 18 members still on the roll, not more than half that number turn out for parade.

*Uniform*.—The Sub-Committee appointed by the No. 1 S.V.C. and Mih-ho-loong rifles addressed the following letter to the Council, and submitted a pattern of the uniform selected, for their approval. No. 2 Company having agreed to adopt the same Uniform, the Council replied that they also approved of it.

Shanghai, 21st December, 1878.

JAMES HART, Esq.,

*Chairman, Municipal Council.*

SIR,—We have the honour to advise you that at a meeting of the Special Committee appointed to arrange for the amalgamation of No. 1 Company S.V.C. and the "Mih-ho-loong" Rifles, and to decide upon the Uniform to be adopted by the combined Company, we, the undersigned, were appointed as a Sub-Committee to ascertain the cost of the proposed new Uniform, and to submit a pattern of the same, with estimate of cost, for your approval.

We now beg to hand you a pattern of the Uniform, which the combined Company have unanimously decided to adopt, should it receive your sanction. The Uniform sent is that in use by H.M. Marine Light Infantry, and will require some slight modifications to suit the No. 1 Company S.V.C., who propose to have white cord shoulder-strap in lieu of that now on the Uniform, and of course to substitute S.V.C. buttons for those of the Marine Light Infantry; the cloth and make of the Uniform to be similar to the pattern sent; trousers to be of black cloth, with narrow red seam.

We also beg to hand you a sample of the Helmet which it is proposed to adopt, the mountings to be especially designed for the S.V.C., and to be made of brass for Serjeants and Privates, and silver for officers; white covers to be provided for use in summer.

The accoutrements to be of black leather, and a service pouch to be worn on the belt in lieu of the shoulder-belt and cartouche-box now in use.

Messrs. Sayle & Co. have provided us with the muster now sent for your inspection, and are prepared to supply the Uniform and Helmet (without Accoutrements) to all Serjeants and Privates of the S.V.C. at a cost of \$15, as per enclosed tender. We consider this a reasonable price, and beg to recommend this tender for the acceptance of the Council, should they decide to sanction the proposed uniform. We would suggest that it be made optional whether the Volunteers pay for their own Uniforms or whether the Council provide them. Those who pay for their own Uniforms would hold them as their own property, while those who have them provided by the Council would give them up, unless they had completed a fixed term of service. This, we believe, would remove any difficulty in the way of No. 2 Company adopting the same Uniform, and allow of the whole Corps being clothed alike.

We are, Sir,

Your obedient Servants,

E. W. RICE.

ALEX. SIM.

F. A. GROOM.

*Band.*—Since the arrival of the new Band from Manila, it has been intimated to the paid members of the Volunteer band, that as their services will no longer be required, the Council will discontinue its monthly payments to them.

*Arms and Accoutrements.*—Are in good order. The stock consists of 500 stand of Martini Henry Rifles, etc.

*Ammunition.*—Complaints have been made about the inferior quality of some of the cartridges recently received from England, the powder being deficient in strength, and the cases rather badly made, but the others received through the London Agents have given satisfaction. In future care will be taken that only the best descriptions are sent out.

*Rifle Competitions.*—The usual Spring Meeting was not held; annexed is the report of the Autumn Meeting by the Acting Musketry Instructor:—

SHANGHAI, 6th January, 1879.

J. HART, Esq.

*Chairman Municipal Council.*

SIR,—I have the honor to submit the following Report upon the Autumn Competition of the Shanghai Volunteer Corps.

The Meeting having been unavoidably postponed until the 9th December, the cold and unfavorable state of the weather at that late season of the year caused no doubt lower scores than otherwise would have been made, but still the Council will be glad to see from the enclosed list of the principal scores, that taking into consideration the continuous bad weather which was experienced during the competition, the points made will compare favorably with previous Meetings.

I also beg to call your attention to the fact that the ammunition was found to be during the meeting very defective.

Enclosing a list of the principal scores.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

JOSEPH J. TUCKER,

*Acting Instructor of Musketry.*

#### AUTUMN PRIZE MEETING S.V.C.

##### SCORES OF PRIZE-WINNERS.

##### OFFICERS' CUP—200 and 500 yards:—

No. 2 Company, Sergt. TUCKER, .. .. .	50 points.
" " " Priv. Johnston, .. .. .	49 "

##### MUNICIPAL CHALLENGE CUP—500 and 600 yards:—

No. 2 Company, Sergt. TUCKER, .. .. .	49 points.
" " " Priv. Bowman, .. .. .	46 "

##### LADIES' PURSE—600 and 800 yards:—

No. 2 Company, Sergt. TUCKER, .. .. .	40 points.
" " " Priv. Johnston, .. .. .	38 "

GOLD CROSS OF THE MEETING—Highest total scores in Competition Nos. 1 to 3, and individual firing in Competition No. 4—200, 500 and 600 yards:—

No. 2 Company, Sergt. TUCKER, .. .. .	207 points.
" " " Priv. Johnston, .. .. .	203 "

JOSEPH J. TUCKER,  
*Acting Instructor of Musketry.*

*Appointments—Acting Instructor of Musketry.*—Sergeant Tucker, vice Captain Sim, resigned.

*Resignations.*—The Council have to regret the resignation of the following officers :—

Major Hart, Commanding Officer S.V.C.

Mih-Ho-Loong Co.—Captain Rice.

Lieutenant Groom.

Sub-Lieutenant Manson.

No. 1 Company.—Captain Sim.

Instructor of Musketry.—Captain Sim.

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# FINANCE MATTERS.

## APPROPRIATIONS.

The following appropriations have been made during the year, which were not provided for in the Budget :—

Roads.—Land for widening and improving .....	Tls. 9,140.83
Public Garden.—New Green House .....	302.18
Fire Department—Extra Appropriation .....	850.00
Drain Pipes .....	2,691.49
Shed—For storing road implements .....	100.00
Enlarging powder magazine .....	200.17
	<u>Tls. 13,284.67</u>

## LOAN OF 1873.

One hundred Debentures amounting to Tls. 10,000, were paid off on 1st July, the numbers being drawn by ballot.

## LOAN OF 1878.

Under authority of Resolution IX. passed at Ratepayers' Meeting of 6th March, 1877.—Debentures have been issued to the amount of Tls. 24,000 to cover cost of land and buildings for the new Hongkew Police Station. Tenders were invited and the following allotment made, being at an average rate of  $9\frac{22}{100}$  per cent. premium :—

Tls. 4,000.....	at 14	per cent. premium.
„ 2,300.....	at $10\frac{1}{2}$	„ „
„ 9,000.....	at 10	„ „
„ 1,000.....	at $8\frac{1}{2}$	„ „
„ 3,500.....	at 8	„ „
„ 3,000.....	at $7\frac{1}{2}$	„ „
„ 1,200.....	at 7	„ „
<u>Tls. 24,000</u>		

## ASSESSMENTS.

Schedules of houses and land assessed during the year are appended.

*Houses upon which Assessments have been reduced during the year 1878,  
under Resolution passed at Ratepayers' Meeting, 6th March, 1877.*

Name of Road.	Name of Occupant.	Assessment.	Reduced to	Remarks.
1 Yangtze	{ T. F. Hughes .. G. E. Wellesley .. }	2,800	2,400	
17A Szechuen	Ilbert & Co. ....	700	600	
22 do.	Evans & Co. ....	480	300	
33 do.	J. Simpson .....	1,000	750	
8 Kiangse	A. Baconnier ...	300	240	
9 do.	Dr. Little .....	1,500	1,000	
33 do.	E. Morel .....	600	500	
41 do.	J. F. d'Aquino ..	300	210	
7 Honan	J. Hirsbrunner ..	480	420	
8 do.	W. Birt & Co. ..	1,550	1,100	
2A Foochow	Geo. Smith & Co.	500	320	
3 do.	{ Z. Barton .....	1,000	780	
9 & 10 do.	{ J. Rosenbaum .. C. Smidt .....	900	720	
10 Kiukiang	{ Cunningham and Gammon .....	400	300	
17A Nanking	Mrs. Green .....	480	360	
1 Ningpo	J. J. Buchheister	900	720	
5 do.	C. Kreyer .....	450	420	
4A Peking	Carlowitz & Co...	800	600	
17 Yuen-Ming- Yuen	Mrs. Brown .....	300	260	
2 Upper Yuen- Ming-Yuen	W. S. Percival ..	300	270	
3 do.	W. V. Drummond	300	270	
4 do.	J. F. Pearson ..	300	270	
5 do.	A. Law .....	300	270	
8 Whangpoo	J. F. Taylor ....	480	300	
9 do.	W. Allanson ....	400	310	
42 Broadway	W. H. Carr .....	480	360	
48 do.	M. F. Patterson ..	540	360	
6 Seward	J. P. Marques ..	350	300	
1 Ming-Hong	J. Vaughan .....	400	300	
5 do.	Evans & Co. ....	2,000	1,500	
3 Boone	S. J. Rangel ....	150	135	
6 do.	J. F. d'Aquino ..	150	135	

*Houses Assessed during the Year 1878.*

Name of Road.	Name of Occupant.	Assessment.	Remarks.
3A Szechuen	E. Gipperich ....	550	
33A Kiangse	S. B. de Remedios	240	
33B do.	F. S. Oliveira ..	240	
5 Canton	T. Wooyeda ....	700	
7 do.	N. Butt .....	300	
1 Foochow	Geo. Barnet & Co.	1,300	
12 do.	Edbrook & Co. ...	900	
25 do.	(Rev. Canon ) [McClatchie ..]	600	
26 do.	Miss Brown .....	480	
27 do.	Miss Kleine.....	300	
20 to 24 Peking		90	Each.
25 to 26 do.		80	do.
1 to 8 Quangse		90	do.
9 do.		150	
10 to 14 do.		120	Each.
15 to 16 do.		150	do.
17 to 21 do.		120	do.
22 do.		180	
15A N. Soochow		180	

*Lots of Land Assessed during the Year 1878.*

No of Lot.	No. of Deed.	Area.	Registered Owner.	Where Reg'd.	Boundaries.	Assessed per mow.
1160	1153	3 5 0 0	W. H. Carter.	"	N. {Land of British Merchants S. Half Creek E. do.	75
1161	1154	3 2 7 5	W. H. Carter.	"	W. Chen's land N. Tay's land S. Soochow Creek E. Foreign owned land	150
1163	1156	0 5 0 0	T.W. Kingsmill.	"	W. Half a creek N. American Citizens land S. British Merchants land E. Coe's land	300
1167	1160	0 4 3 2	D.M. Henderson	"	W. A Street N. Lok's land S. Thorn's land E. Chung Ha chow's do.	200
1173	1166	1 7 5 3	T.W. Kingsmill.	"	W. Yeunam's do. N. Lots 768. 359 S. do. 151 ° 1214 E. do. 349.	300
1175	1168	1 0 0 0	T. Pemberton.	"	W. do. 1087. N. Alley way S. do. E. Lot 998	300
	342	3 4 7 1	A.M. d'Oliveira.	UStates	W. Alley way N. Song Grave S. Small Road E. Middle of Creek W. Small Road	350

*Average Number of Houses in the Settlement and Assessed Rentals.*

## FOREIGN HOUSES.

Foreign Settlements...	360.....	Rental Tls. 419,000 at 6 p.c.=Tls. 25,140.00
Hongkew Settlements	203.....	„ 87,000 „ 5,220.00
	<u>563</u>	<u>506,000</u> Tls. <u>30,360.00</u>
Occupied by Foreigners	472	
„ Natives ...	32	
Empty .....	59	
	<u>563</u>	
Taxes Collected .....		<u>Tls. 26,350.00</u>

## NATIVE HOUSES.

Foreign Settlement.....	10,463...	Rental \$796,000 at 8 p.c.= \$ 63,680.00
Hongkew Settlement .....	5,142... „	201,000 „ 16,080.00
	<u>15,605</u>	<u>\$997,000</u> <u>\$79,760.00</u>
Occupied by Foreigners ...	359	
„ Natives .....	13,640	
Empty .....	1,606	
	<u>15,605</u>	
Taxes Collected .....	Tls. 50,850.....	<u>\$69,700.00</u>



## LOCAL POST OFFICE.

The subjoined statement shows the work of the office during the past year as compared with 1877 :—

*Correspondence passed through the Local Post Office during the year 1878,  
compared with the previous year.*

Year.	To and from the Ports.										Posted in Shanghai for Town Delivery.			
	Mails.		Total.	Letters.		Newspapers.		Parcels.		Total.	Letters, Papers, Circulars, Post Cards &c., posted at the Office.	Letters, Papers, Circulars, Post cards &c., posted at the Letter Pillars.	Total.	Expresses.
	Despatched.	Received.		Despatched.	Received.	Despatched.	Received.	Despatched.	Received.					
1878	3,440	1,877	5,317	79,874	76,251	63,444	8,250	10,423	1,970	240,212	240,466	12,328	252,794	1,587
1877	3,361	1,745	5,106	71,041	75,158	58,220	6,610	10,351	1,919	223,299	241,887	8,127	250,014	1,688

*Stamps.*—It will be necessary to get another supply from England during 1879.

Stock on hand on the 1st January, 1879 :—

Stamps @	20 cash	7,182
" "	40 "	16,040
" "	60 "	3,023
" "	80 "	2,900
" "	100 "	2,936
Cards "	20 "	4,622

The 20 cash stamps will be exhausted before the new supply can arrive, and those of other denominations will have to be re-stamped 20 cash, and used as such.

*Subscribers.*—On the 1st January, 1879, there were on the list, 86 subscribers to L. P. O. against 78 at same time last year.

*Mails to the Northern Ports.*—Under date April 23rd, 1878, Mr. Holcombe of the United States Legation Peking, intimated to the Council that he could no longer undertake to receive and distribute the mails from this to Peking, unless arrangements were made for additional Couriers between that city and Tientsin; and about the same time the Commissioner of Customs here requested the Local Post Master to send him all mails addressed to the Inspectorate General of Customs at Peking, to be forwarded through the Customs Postal Department.

Under these circumstances it was considered advisable to make a temporary arrangement with the Commissioner of Customs at Tientsin who undertook to receive and distribute all the mails for the Northern ports, and subjoined is the correspondence on the subject.

The arrangement having been found to work satisfactorily, during a period of six months, it has been continued, and is still in force.

During the winter months, while the navigation is interrupted, the Local Post Office cannot make up Mails for the Northern Ports, except to Chefoo when an opportunity offers by an occasional steamer.

LEGATION OF THE UNITED STATES.

PEKING, April 23rd, 1878.

R. F. THORBURN, Esq.,

Secretary, &c., &c.

MY DEAR SIR :—In October last an arrangement was made with the Municipal Council under which a mail was despatched by each steamer from the Local Post office in Shanghai to me, this mail being general, and covering all matter for foreign residents in Peking and vicinity; and under which I was to forward a bag by each courier leaving this city.

This arrangement is, in many respects, a great convenience, and a means of safety for correspondence between this point and Shanghai, and for this reason I should be very glad to have it continued. I regret to say however that there seems to be great difficulty in securing the prompt transmission of the bags from Tientsin to their destination here. The mail service between this and Tientsin is performed exclusively by couriers from the Legations and the Customs, and of these only the British Legation, the Customs and the United States Legation have regular weekly service of that

sort. And of these three, I am thus far able to rely only upon our own courier to bring up the Local Post bags. As he leaves Tientsin on Fridays you will at once see that mails leaving Shanghai on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, must be subjected to several days' delay, before they can be forwarded. Mails hence to Shanghai meet with no delay, as the other Legations and the Customs take the Local Post bags readily. It is only from Tientsin hither that there is any trouble. While I believe that an additional weekly courier between the two points, to leave Tientsin on Tuesdays would put an end to all complaints of delay in the transmission of mails, and while the expense of such a service would not be large, say \$130, for the navigation season, still this Legation is not able to incur that additional expense.

I am forced, therefore, *greatly to my regret*, to say that, unless it is within the power of the Municipal Council to take some steps by which the mails can be secured a prompt transmission from Tientsin it will be best to discontinue sending the Peking mails in a closed bag to me. If, on the other hand, anything can be done to remedy the difficulty mentioned, I shall be most happy to have the service continued, and the Municipal Council may rely, with entire confidence upon all necessary action being taken by our Consul at Tientsin and by myself, to render the mail service prompt and reliable.

I Praying your early attention to this business,

I am Sir,

Your obedient servant,

CHESTER HOLCOMBE.

SHANGHAI, 28th May, 1878.

CHESTER HOLCOMBE, Esq.

*Legation of United States,*

*Pekin,*

DEAR SIR,—I have to acknowledge receipt of your favor of 23rd April informing me that considerable delay sometimes took place in transmitting the mails for Pekin, as you had to depend entirely upon the courier employed by the U. S. Legation, who leaves Tientsin on Fridays, and that you therefore advised the Council to discontinue sending the letters for Pekin in a sealed bag to you, unless they could make arrangements for an additional Courier to leave Tientsin on Tuesdays.

In reply I am directed by the Council to thank you very much for having undertaken the charge of distributing the Pekin mails for the last year, and to inform you that a new arrangement has been made to commence on 1st June, which will relieve you from all further trouble in the matter.

After the 1st of next month the mails for the North will be despatched from this, in a closed bag, addressed to the Commissioner of Customs at Tientsin, who has undertaken to attend to the transmission of all correspondence for Pekin, Newchwang, &c., and to despatch a daily courier from Tientsin to Pekin.

I am, dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

R. F. THORBURN.

*Secretary.*

J. McMILLAN, Esq.

*Local Postmaster,*

*Shanghai.*

CUSTOM HOUSE.

Shanghai, 24th April, 1878.

SIR,—In accordance with instructions from the Inspector-General, I beg to request that for the future you will be good enough to send all Letters, &c., addressed to the Inspectorate-General of Customs, Pekin, to the Postal Department of this office for transmission.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

F. E. WRIGHT,

Commissioner of Customs, Officiating.

## LOCAL POST OFFICE.

*Shanghai, 25th April, 1878.*

F. E. WRIGHT, Esq.,

*Commissioner of Customs, officiating,  
Shanghai.*

Sir,—I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 24th April, 1878, in which you request that for the future, all letters, &c., addressed to the Inspectorate-General of Customs, Peking, be handed to the Customs Postal Department, Shanghai, for transmission.

In answer I beg to say, that I will have pleasure in complying with your request, and will make arrangements for carrying same into effect, from this date.

In connexion with the above, I am instructed to make the following suggestion for the consideration of the Commissioner of Customs at Tientsin.

With a view to greater security, &c., of the Local Mails to Tientsin, the Local Post Office, Shanghai, is prepared to send its mails for Tientsin addressed to the care of the Commissioner of Customs there, if he will undertake, on their arrival, to receive and distribute them; of course it is to be understood that the postage on the contents of the mail bag, be considered as already paid.

The question of making up the return mails may be considered hereafter.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. McMILLAN,

*Local Postmaster.*

CUSTOM HOUSE.

*Tientsin, 15th May, 1878.*

J. McMILLAN, Esq.

*Local Postmaster,  
Shanghai.*

Sir,—I have received from the Commissioner of Customs at Shanghai a despatch enclosing extract from a despatch addressed by you to him, under date of the 25th April, in which you propose that mails from Shanghai be sent to me for distribution.

In reply I have to state that I am prepared to accede to your proposal, on the following basis:—

1c.—The arrangement to have a temporary character, until tried sufficiently; and to embrace Chefoo, Newchwang, Tientsin and Peking.

2c.—The Customs Postal Departments at the three Northern Ports, viz:—Chefoo, Newchwang and Tientsin, and at Peking, to levy, collect, and retain postage on all mail matters despatched from thence, and destined for Shanghai for distribution by the Local Post, in accordance with the enclosed table of the rates of postage.

3c.—The Local Post-Office, Shanghai, to collect and retain the postage on mail matter sent by it through the Customs to the said Northern Ports and Peking.

I shall feel obliged by an early reply.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

DETRING,

*Commissioner.*

CENTRAL POST OFFICE,

CUSTOM HOUSE,

*Tientsin, 6th Dec., 1878.*

J. McMILLAN, Esq.,

*Local Post Office,  
Shanghai.*

Sir,—Having reference to my despatches of the 15th May and 1st June last, I beg to inform you that during the interruption of navigation between Shanghai and the Northern Ports, the Customs Postal Department at Newchwang, Peking, Tientsin and

Chefoo will continue to distribute, as heretofore, the Mails collected and forwarded by overland couriers of your office; and that, on the other hand, I expect that your Office will continue the distribution of Mail matter collected by the aforesaid departments for Shanghai.

All mail matter to be forwarded by Customs' overland couriers must be posted and pay postage at the Postal Department, Custom House, Shanghai.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

DETRING,

*Commissioner.*

(For postal matters).

### DUES ON MERCHANDIZE.

The amount of Revenue derived from this source shows a very large deficiency compared with that of last year, and is fully Tls. 3,000 under the Budget estimate. From imports the amount received is less than was anticipated, which no doubt may be, in a great measure, attributed to the general depression of trade, and the consequent reduction in quantity, and value, of nearly all the staple articles usually imported.

The quantity of goods imported on native account is, perhaps, rather increasing, but as they are covered by the Taou-Tai's commutation there is no gain to the Revenue from this source.

Receipts from Opium dues are much the same as last year.

Dues on exports are less than the estimate, the principal falling off being on Tea, the bulk of the Black Tea crop having been shipped direct from the River Ports, whilst the total supply of Green has been much under the usual quantity.

Silk has produced about the same amount as last year, for although the total export is larger, French houses have been the principal operators, and only a small portion of their shipments is liable to dues.

*L. Gouilloud's Case.*—The following decision was given by the Acting French Consul-General, in the case of M. Gouilloud, who refused to pay dues, on the ground that although resident in this settlement his business premises are situated in the French Concession. The Council submitted the judgment to the Board of Consuls in order to obtain an expression of opinion from them upon the merits of the case, and received the following reply:—

## TRIBUNAL CONSULAIRE.

*Audience du 13 Septembre 1878, continuée le 17 courant.*

REPUBLIQUE FRANÇAISE

AFFAIRE DU MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

vs.

LOUIS GOUILLOUD.

*Jugement définitif.*

Au nom du peuple Français,

Le Tribunal Consulaire de France à Shanghai, siégeant en matière civile, conformément à la loi du 8 Juillet 1852, a rendu le jugement suivant :—

Entre le Municipal Council, représenté par Mr. Charles Dowdall, Solicitor, mandataire du Conseil d'Administration Municipale de la Concession Etrangère, aux termes d'une procuration dûment en forme et déposée à la Chancellerie du Consulat Général, demandeur,—d'une part;

Et Louis Gouilloud, Negociant, demeurant à Shanghai, comparant en personne, défendeur,—d'autre part.

## POINT DE FAIT.

Le Municipal Council du Foreign Settlement, au nom duquel Dowdall se présente à l'instance, demande que Gouilloud, qui habite une maison "the Laurels" située dans les limites du Foreign Settlement, soit contraint à payer une somme de Tls. 187.50 représentant le montant de taxes commerciales dites "Wharfage dues" afférentes à des marchandises qu'il a expédiées du 15 Mai au 27 Juillet de la présente année, taxes établis en vertu des dispositions du paragraphe 3 de l'article 9 des Land Régulations, applicables au dit foreign settlement.

Dowdall dit que le Municipal Council peut n'avoir en connaissance des expéditions de marchandises, cause de la demande que par relevé, fait par ses soins, sur les livres de la Douane Chinoise, et qu'il ne recherche pas si les marchandises ont séjourné, ou même simplement passé en transport dans les limites du Foreign Settlement, mais il soutient que Gouilloud, par le seul fait qu'il habite une maison sise sur le territoire connu sous cette dénomination, doit payer les taxes commerciales; il demande que le tribunal l'y déclare tenu, l'y contraigne au besoin et mette à sa charge les frais de l'instance.

Gouilloud reconnaît avoir un logement dans la maison "the Laurels" située sur le Foreign Settlement, mais sa maison de commerce, ses bureaux, ses magasins sont situés sur cette partie des Etablissements Etrangers de Shanghai, qui est connue sous la dénomination de Concession Française, territoire distinct de celui du Foreign Settlement, qui a d'ailleurs une organisation et des réglemens Municipaux particuliers.

Logéant sur le Foreign Settlement, il acquitte exactement, dit-il, les taxes municipales dont il est redevable comme locataire d'une maison de ce quartier, mais il se croit autorisé à refuser le paiement de celles qui lui sont réclamées pour des expéditions de commerce conduites entièrement sur un autre territoire.

En effet, ajoute-t-il, si les "Wharfage dues," qui se prelevaient jadis sur la Concession Française, où est établie sa maison de commerce, n'avaient pas été abolis, ou étaient de nouveau institués, il serait, si la demande du Municipal Council était admise, exposé à payer deux fois ce taxes pour le même opération, ce qui lui paraît inadmissible.

## \* POINT DE DROIT.

La question à juger est celle-ci :—

Aux termes des dispositions de l'article 9 des Land régulations Dowdall est-il fondé dans la demande qu'il présente au nom du Municipal Council ?

## DISPOSITIF.

Le Tribunal, jugeant en dernier ressort, et après en avoir délivré conformément à la loi.

Attendu que le paragraphe 3 de l'article 9 des Land régulations est ainsi conçu :—

"— and it shall also be competent to the said meeting or a majority thereof as aforesaid to impose other rates and taxes in the form of dues on all goods passed through the Chinese Custom House by any person or persons resident within the said limits."

Attendu que les mots "any person or persons resident within the said limits" ne peuvent s'appliquer qu'à des personnes demeurant dans le Foreign Settlement et y faisant leurs opérations de commerce, puisque l'expression "or persons" implique l'idée que les marchandises passées en douane pourraient être possédées par plusieurs personnes, c'est-à-dire une société faisant des opérations de commerce.

Attendu que si Gouilloud loge dans une maison sise sur le Foreign Settlement, il n'y fait pas ses opérations commerciales, puisqu'il est notoire que c'est sur la Concession Française que sont établis ses bureaux, ses magasins est dès lors sa maison de commerce.

Déclare le Municipal Council représenté par Dowdall, mal fondé dans sa demande, l'en débute et met à sa charge le frais de la présente instance, liquidés à la somme de Cent Francs, y compris le coût de la délivrance et de la signification du présent jugement.

Ainsi Jugé et prononcé le dix Septembre mil huit cent soixante dix huit, à l'audience publique du Tribunal Consulaire où siégeaient, comme à celle du treize, M. M. Gabriel Lemaire, Consul Gérant le Consulat Général de France à Shanghai, Chevalier de la Légion—d'Honneur etc., etc., Président; James Bonabeau, Premier Commis de l'Agence de la Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes à Shanghai; Jules Roustan, Négociant, Assesseurs, lesquels ont signé le présent jugement avec Mr. J. de Bielke, Chancelier substitué du Consulat Général, faisant fonctions de Greffier.

Le Consul Gérant le Consulat Général, Président

L.S. Signé

G. LEMAIRE.

Les Assesseurs Signé: JAMES BONABEAU

do.

J. ROUSTAN

Le Chancelier Substitué

Signé: J. DE BIELKE.

Pour copie conforme

Le Chancelier Substitué

J. DE BIELKE.

Vu pour légalisation de la signature ci-dessus apposée de Mr. J. de Bielke, Chancelier Substitué du Consulat Général.

Le Consul, Gérant le Consulat Général,

G. LEMAIRE.

SHANGHAI, 7th October, 1878.

C. LUEDER, Esq.,

*His German Majesty's Consul-General,*

*Senior Consul, Shanghai.*

SIR,—I have the honor to hand you herewith the Judgment delivered by the Acting Consul-General for France upon a case recently heard before him, in which the Municipal Council sued Mr. Gouilloud, a French citizen residing in this Settlement, for dues on silk passed by him through the Chinese Custom House, but shipped from his business premises in the French Concession.

At the same time I have to request that you will be good enough to submit the decision to the Board of Consuls, and obtain from them, if possible, an expression of opinion upon the merits of the case.

From the document now sent you, you will learn that there was no dispute as to facts, and that the point which the French Court was called upon to decide was, whether or not the 9th Article of the Land Regulations was intended to apply to persons residing in this Settlement but having their business premises situated in the French Concession. The Acting Consul-General for France is of opinion that it was not so intended, whilst the Municipal Council think it was, and they base their



opinion not only on the plain words of the Article which seem to them capable of only one interpretation, but they have also the authority of the Board of Consuls, who, in a despatch to the Taotai, dated 20th August, 1875, say "all foreigners residing or doing business within the limits of the English and American Settlements pay Wharfage Dues," &c., &c., thus clearly showing that according to their reading of the Article, residence in the Settlement involved liability to pay dues.

As you are no doubt aware, previous to 1876 the resolution passed by the Ratepayers at the annual meeting, authorizing the collection of dues was rather informally worded, and advantage was taken of this by several residents in this Settlement, who employed agents living in the French Concession to pass their goods through the Custom House, and thus evaded the payment of dues. The subject was warmly discussed at the Ratepayers' Meeting in February, 1876, when the wording of the resolution was altered so as to be in exact accordance with the 9th Article of the Land Regulations, which everyone present agreed applied to all persons residing in this Settlement. The then Chairman of the Council said:—"We cannot go beyond the powers given by the Land Regulations to levy certain dues upon certain goods belonging to certain persons or landed within certain limits. If people are living within the limits we can impose the dues." Nothing was said about places of business, and it does not seem to have occurred to anyone that any such question would ever be raised.

Mr. Gouilloud argues that if dues were also levied in the French Concession, he would be called upon to pay both which was never intended by the Land Regulations, but the answer to this is simply that he is not compelled to live in this Settlement, and that if he does not wish to pay dues like other residents he ought to leave it, and live either outside, or in the French Concession.

If the reading of the article by the French Court is correct, then not only will Mr. Gouilloud have an advantage over other residents in this Settlement, but we shall probably have a recurrence of the not very creditable proceedings of former years, to which I have just alluded, when mercantile firms in this Settlement employed agents to pass their goods through the Custom House in order to evade payment of dues.

Dues on goods being a voluntary tax imposed by the Ratepayers upon themselves, the collection of which is entrusted to the Council, the latter consider it their duty to see that all residents in the Settlements pay their proper proportion. Under these circumstances, they felt that they had no option but to sue Mr. Gouilloud in the French Consular Court for the dues on Silk passed by him through the Custom House, and it would be most satisfactory to them to learn that the Foreign Consuls generally consider that the Council were right in the course which they pursued.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. HART,

Chairman.

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SHANGHAI, 8th November, 1878.

J. HART Esq.,

Chairman, Municipal Council.

SIR,—Your letter dated the 7th October, 1878, and regarding a Judgment given by the French Consular Court in *re* Municipal Council *versus* Gouilloud, has been laid before the Consular Body.

The Consular Body recommends to the Council either to procure in an analogous case, fit for appeal, a legal decision of the question through the Court of Appeal superior to the French Consular Court, or to move a declaration or correction of Art. IX of the Land Regulations, as prescribed by Art. XXVIII. In the event that such declaration, or correction be moved, the majority of the Consuls is prepared to consent to a wording which precludes any doubt, that the following phraseology of Art. IX. "by any person resident within the said limits" is meant to be applied to, and to include all persons who have either their private residences or their offices within the Settlements North of the Yang-king-pang.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

C. LUEDER,

His German Majesty's Consul-General,

Senior Consul.



## ACCOUNTS.

The Financial Statement appended shows a surplus on	
the year's account of .....	Tls. 89.99
Viz: Receipts .....	Tls. 268,629.98
Disbursements.....	„ 268,589.99
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The Budget submitted by the Council estimated	
Revenue at .....	Tls. 240,067.07
But at Ratepayers' Meeting (vide page	
of Report) the Native Livery License	
fee was increased by .....	„ 450.00
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Giving an estimated Revenue of .....	Tls. 240,517.07
The Receipts aggregate .....	Tls. 268,629.98
Deduct Loan Tls. 24,000.00	
And Premium „ 2,359.75	
	<hr/> 26,359.75
	<hr/> 242,270.28
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Or an increase on the Budget of .....	Tls. 1,753.16
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The Expenditure recommended was.....	Tls. 240,067.07
The Disbursements have been Tls. 268,589.99	
Deduct cost of land and expense	
of building Hongkew	
Police Station .....	„ 24,589.90
	<hr/> „ 244,000.09
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Showing the Expenditure to have been in ex-	
cess of Budget .....	Tls. 8,933.02
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# WATCH MATTERS.

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## COFFINS NEAR RIFLE BUTTS.

Complaints having been made about the offensive smell from the coffins in the field near the Rifle Butts, the Council addressed the Senior Consul, requesting him to represent the matter to the native authorities, who ordered the coffins to be covered with earth. The following is the correspondence which passed on the subject :—

SHANGHAI, 9th July, 1878.

C. LUEDER, Esq.,

*His German Majesty's Consul-General,  
Senior Consul.*

SIR,—I have the honor to request that you will kindly direct the attention of the Chinese authorities to the field situated immediately to the westward of the Rifle Butts, where the coffins containing the bodies of destitute natives are placed.

The coffins are made of very thin planking, and are merely placed on the ground without any covering of soil over them; the stench therefore from the decomposing bodies is at all times most offensive, and more particularly so during the summer months.

At present it is almost impossible to walk along the line of the railway when the wind is from the West, and even the natives working in the fields complain of the offensive smell.

The Council, therefore, fear that if steps are not taken at once to abate the nuisance, it may cause some kind of pestilence in the Settlement.

May I therefore beg that you will represent to H.E. the Taotai the urgent necessity there is for the coffins being put under ground at once, and request him to issue orders that in future all coffins taken there shall immediately be covered with some five or six feet of earth.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

JAMES HART,  
*Chairman.*

SHANGHAI, 15th July, 1878.

J. HART, Esq.,

*Chairman, Municipal Council.*

SIR,—In reply to your letter dated the 9th inst., and regarding the Chinese burial ground westwards of the Rifle Butts, I beg to hand you the enclosed translation of a communication received from the Acting Taotai to-day.

I should feel obliged, if you would indicate to me at your earliest convenience the name of the officer whom you may depute to accompany the Chih-hsien to the locality in question.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

C. LUEDER,  
*His German Majesty's Consul-General,  
Senior Consul.*

[Copy of Translation].

SHANGHAI, 14th July, 1878.

C. LUEDER, Esq.,

*His German Majesty's Consul-General,  
Senior Consul.*

In reply to your letter, dated 10th instant, regarding the burial of Chinese coffins near the Rifle Butts, I have the honor to inform you that I have appointed the Chih-hsien of Shanghai to proceed with the official appointed by you, and with one of the Municipal officers, to the place, to inquire into the facts and to order the Tepaus to at once arrange the matter in a satisfactory manner.

I have the honor to be, etc.,

The Acting Taotai CHU.

For true translation,

(Signed) P. G. VON MÖLLENDORFF.

SHANGHAI, 15th July 1878.

C. LUEDER, Esq.,

*His German Majesty's Consul-General,  
Senior Consul, Shanghai,*

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of this date enclosing translation of a despatch from the Acting Taotai, stating that he had appointed the Chih-hsien to examine the burial place near the Rifle Butts in company with an official appointed by yourself, along with one from the Municipal Council.

In reply, I beg to say that the Secretary of the Council will be glad to attend at H.G.M.'s Consulate-General, on any day and at any hour you may appoint, in order to accompany the Chih-hsien and point out the place.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. HART,

*Chairman.*

SHANGHAI, 1st August, 1878.

C. LUEDER Esq.,

*His German Majesty's Consul-General  
Senior Consul.*

SIR,—I have again to request that you will be good enough to direct the attention of the Chinese authorities to the coffins containing the decomposing bodies of destitute natives lying about the field to the west of the Rifle Butts.

You will no doubt recollect that H.E. the Acting Taotai, in his despatch of 14th ultimo, promised that the matter should be enquired into, and arranged at once; and that on the 20th ultimo a deputy from the Cheh-hsien's office visited the ground along with Mr. von Möllendorff and the Municipal Secretary, and then stated that instructions would be given to the Tepao to have the coffins covered up at once.

Since then nothing has been done, and the nuisance complained of remains unabated. I have, therefore, to beg that you will impress upon the authorities the urgent necessity there is for immediate action.

By Article XVI of the Revised Land Regulations it is expressly stipulated that no coffins of Chinese are to be placed within the limits of the Foreign Settlement, or left above ground, and although the field in question may not be actually within the boundaries of Hongkew, it is still situated in such close proximity to the Settlement that I venture to hope H.E. the Acting Taotai will see the propriety of complying so far with this regulation as to order all the coffins to be placed under the ground at once.

I take this opportunity of enquiring whether you have had any further communication from the authorities on the subject of the Markham Road Extension.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. HART.

*Chairman.*

SHANGHAI, 2nd August, 1878.

J. HART, Esq.,

*Chairman, Municipal Council.*

SIR,—In reply to your letter of yesterday's date, I beg to inform you that according to the letters received from the acting Taotai, the Chinese Burial Ground belongs to the Pausan district, and that the Magistrate of this district has been ordered to arrange the matter with all possible despatch.

Enclosing translation of a reply which I have addressed to-day to the Acting Taotai.

I have the honor to be, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,

C. LUEDER,  
*His German Majesty's Consul General,  
Senior Consul.*

[Copy of Translation.]

SHANGHAI, 2nd August, 1878.

To the Acting Taotai CHU, P.P.

*Despatch.*

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your communications dated the 27th and 28th July last regarding the Chinese Burial Ground near the Rifle Butts, and beg to inform you that the Municipal Council have again requested me by a letter dated the 1st inst., to impress upon the Chinese authorities the urgent necessity there is for immediate action.

I have laid the matter yesterday before the Consular Body. Since the 9th July last, when I first addressed you on this subject, nothing has been changed on the Burial Ground. Weeks may elapse, if the Pausan Magistrate remains entrusted with the arrangement of the matter. The weather being hot, and northerly and westerly winds having set in the day before yesterday, driving the stench right over the Settlements, there is immediate danger for the health of the Shanghai residents.

The Consular Body therefore request you to order yourself at your earliest convenience the coffins to be covered with earth, and not to entrust the Magistrate of Pausan with the arrangement of the matter.

I have the honor, etc.,  
(Signed) C. LUEDER.

SHANGHAI, 5th August, 1878.

J. HART, Esq.,

*Chairman, Municipal Council.*

SIR,—The Acting Taotai informs me that workmen are occupied to cover with earth the coffins placed in the Burial Ground near the Rifle Butts, and that the Benevolent Society Pau-an-tang, in Shanghai, has been ordered to cover up new coffins as soon as they reach that ground.

I have the honour to be, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,  
C. LUEDER,  
*His German Majesty's Consul-General,  
Senior Consul.*

SHANGHAI, 12th August, 1878.

C. LUEDER, Esq.,

*His German Majesty's Consul-General,  
Senior Consul.*

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your favor of 5th instant, stating that you had been informed by the Acting Taotai, that workmen were employed in covering with earth the coffins placed in the Burial Ground near the Rifle Butts, and that the Benevolent Society Pau-an-tang had been ordered to cover up all new coffins so soon as they reach the ground.

In reply, I beg to say that the Council feel much obliged to you for the trouble you have taken in order to get the nuisances complained of abated, and at the same time I have to tender their thanks to H. E. the Acting Taotai for having complied with their request.

I have the honor to be, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,  
J. HART,  
*Chairman.*

## DEFENCE CREEK.

The Barrier at the junction of the Yang-king-pang and Defence Creeks has been removed in compliance with the request contained in the subjoined letter from the French Council :—

CONSEIL D'ADMINISTRATION MUNICIPALE FRANÇAISE.  
Shanghai, le 27 Février, 1878.

MONSIEUR R. F. THORBURN,

*Secrétaire du Municipal Council.*

MONSIEUR,—J'ai l'honneur de vous transmettre ci-joint la copie d'un rapport du médecin chargé de la Salubrité publique, sur la Concession Française, en vous priant de vouloir bien me faire connaître les vues du Municipal Council sur la suite à donner à la question dont il s'agit.

Veuillez agréer, Monsieur, l'assurance de ma considération la plus distinguée.

Le Secrétaire,

H. SAYN.

(Copie.)

SHANGHAI, 13 Février, 1878.

MONSIEUR LE PRÉSIDENT,—Au moment où les Chinois procèdent au curage du Yang-king-pang, je crois de mon devoir d'appeler l'attention du Conseil sur une sérieuse cause d'insalubrité qu'il serait facile de diminuer.

Les abattoirs des deux Concessions versent leurs eaux, chargées de détritus organiques, dans le Yang-king-pang. Elles y séjournent à marée basse jusqu'à ce que le courant se soit rétabli. En été, ces détritus organiques restent longtemps exposés au soleil et une fois en décomposition ne s'écoulent que très lentement répandant leurs émanations sur les deux bords de la crique dans toute la longueur Est et Ouest de la Concession. Avec les vents de S.O. régnant en été, ces miasmes sont balayés sur la Concession Anglaise.

Il y aurait avantage à diminuer la durée du séjour de toutes les matières putrescibles, ce qui serait facile en augmentant la vitesse du courant, en diminuant la durée du temps pendant lequel la crique est à sec, et en donnant à ces matières un débouché plus large avec un parcours moins long.

En rétablissant la communication entre la crique connue sous le nom de "Defence Creek" et par conséquent avec la grande artère "Soochow Creek," et le Yang-king-pang, on augmenterait la vitesse du courant au point précis où se versent les abattoirs. La marée ayant un espace moins long à parcourir pour arriver à ce même point, les matières organiques resteraient moins longtemps exposées au soleil ; à marée montante elles seraient plus rapidement et plus complètement emportées vers le Whangpoo du côté de la ville Chinoise ; à marée basse, elles auraient deux issues au lieu d'une, diminuant de moitié les causes d'infection pour les quartiers populeux des deux bords du Yang-king-pang. De plus on pourrait obtenir des entrepreneurs de vidanges de diriger à l'avenir leurs bateaux par cette nouvelle voie qui parcourt des terrains inhabités.

La communication a été interrompue à l'époque de la guerre des rebelles, pour des raisons stratégiques : les mêmes causes n'existent plus aujourd'hui. En enlevant l'Estacade et en faisant curer les quelques mètres du canal qui deviennent de jour en jour, par l'augmentation du dépôt de vase, un véritable marais, on améliorerait la navigation et les conditions de salubrité des deux Concessions.

La dépense serait insignifiante.

Je crois donc devoir recommander au Conseil de s'entendre avec le Municipal Council et avec les Autorités Chinoises pour que le curage du Yang-king-pang et du fossé des murs ne reste pas inutile au point de vue de l'hygiène, en laissant subsister une cause sérieuse d'insalubrité qu'il serait, à peu de frais, si facile de faire disparaître.

J'ai l'honneur d'être, avec respect,

Monsieur, le Président,

Votre obeissant serviteur,

(Signé)

DR. GALLE,

*Médecin chargé de l'hygiène*

*sur la Concession Française.*

Pour copie conforme

Le Secrétaire,

H. SAYN.

SHANGHAI, 27th March, 1878.

H. SAYN, Esq.,

*Secretary Municipal Council.*

SIR,—Referring to what I had the honour of addressing you on 11th instant, I am now directed to inform you that instructions have been given for the immediate removal of the dam at the junction of the Yang-king-pang and Defence Creeks, and for clearing away the offensive matter which has been allowed to accumulate there.

With regard to night soil, I am instructed to say that the Council are of opinion that it would not be advisable at present, to make any alteration in the route by which the contractors remove the refuse matter in their boats.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

R. F. THORBURN,

*Secretary.*

## LIGHTING.

Additional lamps have been placed on the Bubbling Well Road, between the Horse Bazaar and Carter Road, and in various parts of the Settlement where required.

Annexed is the correspondence with the Gas Company upon the subject of extra charges for new lamps in outlying districts:—

SHANGHAI, 15th July, 1878.

F. B. FORBES, Esq.,

*Chairman, Shanghai Gas Company.*

SIR,—Under date 6th instant, the Council were informed by your Secretary, Mr. Yeo, that in consequence of the Gas Company having no main in the Chaou-foong road, they must decline to erect a lamp at the jetty end of it unless the Council bear a share of the expense of laying down some 465 feet of piping estimated to cost about \$80.00, exclusive of lamp fittings, &c.

At the meeting of the Council held this morning, the subject came up for discussion, and it was unanimously decided that as a lamp at the Chaou-foong road jetty was essential for the safety of those landing or embarking there, it might be necessary to comply with the demand of the Gas Company, but that the Directors should be informed that the Council considered they were acting most illiberally to the community in making the above charge.

I may point out to you that the public, at very great inconvenience to themselves, have invariably allowed the Gas Company to open the roads whenever they pleased, for the purpose of laying down mains, &c., and it does seem rather impolitic on the part of the latter to refuse to place a public lamp where wanted, because it does not happen to suit their convenience.

As this is not the first time that the Gas Company have refused to erect a single lamp on the same grounds, I may be allowed to add that the amount paid annually for public lights is already very large, but had the Company laid down mains in the South-west division of the Settlement some time since, they would probably have found that in the end they were not likely to be losers by having obliged the community, as from the amount of new building now going on in that quarter, a good many new lamps are likely soon to be wanted.

With regard to the lamp now in question, I have only to say that as the Council consider it necessary to have one at the end of the Chaou-foong road; for the safety of those using the jetty, they wish the lamp to be placed there at once; and trust that the Directors of the Gas Company will make the charge for doing so as moderate as possible, considering the large amount they receive annually from the Council for public lamps.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. HART,

*Chairman.*

SHANGHAI, 20th July, 1878.

J. HART, Esq.,

*Chairman, Municipal Council.*

SIR,—I have the honour to acknowledge your letter of the 15th instant, which has been laid before our Board of Directors.

The question of the position of this Company *vis-à-vis* the community, has often been brought forward by the Council in past years, and has formed the subject of much correspondence.

Our Directors beg to refer you to views expressed by their predecessors, and can see no advantage in reviving the discussion which your letter seems to invite. As to the matter in hand, the Directors have found that in extending into unproductive districts, 120 feet of service piping for each lamp is all that the Company can fairly afford to supply at its own cost.

At times, as in the case of the lower Broadway extensions, the whole cost of the mains has been borne by the Company, with no adequate return to the Shareholders as yet; and for this very reason there seems less justice in the Council's demand for further sacrifices in the same district.

The Directors have therefore instructed Mr. Yeo to place the required lamp at the Chaou-foong road jetty, and to render a bill to the Council for the actual cost, less 120 feet of service piping as above mentioned.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

F. B. FORBES,

*Chairman, Shanghai Gas Co.*

SHANGHAI, 23rd September, 1878.

J. HART, Esq.,

*Chairman Municipal Council.*

DEAR SIR,—Referring to our letter of the 20th July last, respecting the supplying of extraordinary lengths of service piping for single lamps, we have now to inform you that since our communication on this subject, we learn that residents in the neighbourhood of the Chaou-foong Road have required Gas, and this Company have therefore the pleasure to inform you that they will bear the whole cost of the service laid in this Road. In future when the Council require lamps in outlying districts, where the Company have no mains, this Company consider that instead of charging for the service piping beyond the 120 feet now allowed, a more desirable plan would be to increase the monthly rate for lamps in question by so much as would return to this Company a moderate interest on the cost of the extra piping needed. Each order may require separate terms, but the Directors will be prepared to meet the Council in as liberal a manner as possible.

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours truly,

JOHN G. PURDON,

*Acting Chairman, Shanghai Gas Company.*

SHANGHAI, 23rd September, 1878.

J. G. PURDON, Esq.,

*Acting Chairman, Shanghai Gas Company.*

DEAR SIR,—I have to thank you for your letter of this date, informing me that as some residents in the neighbourhood of the Chaou-foong Road require Gas, the Company will bear the whole expense of the service piping laid in this road instead of charging one-half to the Council as originally intended.

You further state that, in future, when the Council require lamps in outlying districts, where the company have no mains, the latter propose to increase the monthly rate for these lamps instead of, as at present, charging the Council for the service piping beyond the 120 feet now allowed.

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

J. HART,

*Chairman.*



SHANGHAI, 25th October, 1878.

J. HART, Esq.,

*Chairman, Municipal Council.*

DEAR SIR,—Referring to Mr. Purdon's letter to your goodself of the 23rd September, the Directors think that it will be advisable to establish a basis on which extra charges on new public lamps in outlying districts may be calculated when necessary.

They would suggest that an annual rental of 10 per cent. on the cost of the extra service required (less the cost of the 120 feet usually allowed by the Company) would be a fair and equitable charge to the Council; that being reduced or abolished as soon as the number of public or private consumers in the neighbourhood admitted.

The Directors, however, wish me to state that they do not propose to apply this rule to the new lamps just ordered by the Council in the Canton Road and district, for which no extra charge seems called for.

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours truly,

F. B. FORBES,

*Chairman, Shanghai Gas Co.*

SHANGHAI, 29th October, 1878.

F. B. FORBES, Esq.,

*Chairman, Shanghai Gas Company.*

SIR,—I have to acknowledge receipt of your favor of 25th instant, informing me that your Directors think that it will be advisable to establish a basis on which extra charges for new lamps erected in outlying districts may be calculated when necessary, and that they suggest an annual rental of 10 per cent. on the cost of the extra service required beyond the 120 feet usually allowed, as a fair and equitable charge.

You further add that they do not propose to apply this scale to the new lamps just ordered to be erected in the Canton road and district.

In reply, I beg to say that the Council do not wish to bind themselves or their successors to pay any extra charges whatever for new lamps wherever erected, but I am authorized to say that when any case does occur in which the Gas Company may consider themselves entitled to make some extra charge, the special case will be fully and fairly considered by the Council, and I have no doubt that arrangements will then be made, which shall be satisfactory to the Gas Company and the Ratepayers.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. HART,

*Chairman.*

The following correspondence with the Chairman of the French Gas Company is published for the information of the Ratepayers:—

SHANGHAI, 25th September, 1878.

J. HART, Esq.,

*Chairman of the Municipal Council**of the Foreign Settlement,**North of Yang-king-pang, Shanghai.*

SIR,—For some time past we have been asked by several of our friends living on the Settlement, North of the Yang-king-pang, if it would not be possible for our Company to supply them with Gas.

I have been instructed by our Board to find out if your Council would grant us the necessary permission to lay down our pipes in your streets.

It is probable that the thing could only be done gradually, but we are quite prepared to submit to all the delay which might result from the necessity in which you are placed, not to allow the opening of the street until some repairs are required.



The advantages which would result both for the Public and the Municipal Council from the competition between two Companies are so obvious, that I abstain from enumerating them. I can only say that, in starting, we would be prepared to make the same charges as the other Company, and that a very moderate increase in our consumption would enable us to reduce our prices.

Believe me, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

ED. MOREL,

*Chairman.*

SHANGHAI, 30th September, 1878.

ED. MOREL, Esq.,

*Chairman, French Gas Company,*

*Shanghai.*

SIR,—I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 25th instant, asking me whether the Municipal Council would grant permission to the French Gas Company to lay down pipes in the streets of this Settlement; and mentioning that although at present the latter are not prepared to supply gas at a lower rate than is now charged by the English Company, you have no doubt that with a slightly increased consumption they will be able to do so.

Your letter was laid before the Council this morning, and in reply I now beg to say that so soon as you are prepared to state definitely where the French Gas Company wish to lay their mains, and which part of this Settlement they propose supplying with gas, the subject will be fully considered, and the Council will then endeavor to facilitate their arrangements, provided they find that they can do so without causing any inconvenience to the Ratepayers.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. HART,

*Chairman.*

SHANGHAI, 12th October, 1878.

J. HART, Esq.,

*Chairman of the Municipal Council*

*of the Foreign Settlement*

*North of the Yang-king-Pang, Shanghai.*

SIR,—Your letter dated September 30th was duly received and laid before the Directors.

I have been requested to inform you that their wish at present is to receive the necessary authority to lay their mains on the Bund, in Szechuen and Kiangse Roads, as far as Nanking Road and in Sunkiang, Canton, Woochow, Hankow, Kiukiang and Nanking Roads, as far as Kiangse Road.

It is more than probable that circumstances will lead us to ask the extension of every one of these lines before long, but, while it is of interest to your Council to know that our idea is to extend our mains wherever we shall see that Gas is wanted, it is also necessary for us to receive some fixed authority, without which it would not be prudent for our Company to go to the expense of getting out the extra amount of plant which will be required.

I need not add that this can be obtained with great rapidity by sending telegraphic orders to Europe, the more so that a great part of the measurements have already been made some time since.

Believe me, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

ED. MOREL,

*Chairman.*

SHANGHAI, 21st October, 1878.

E. MOREL, Esq.,

*Chairman, French Gas Company,  
Shanghai.*

Sir,—I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 12th instant, mentioning in detail the various roads in this Settlement in which the French Gas Company request permission to lay their mains.

In reply, I beg to say that the matter has received the best consideration of the Council, but as they feel that it is a question of great importance to the community, they would prefer, before coming to any decision, that it should be referred to the Ratepayers by your Company.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. HART,

*Chairman.*

## HOSPITALS.

*General Hospital.*—Ward for Lunatic patients*(Copy.)*

BRITISH CONSULATE,

Shanghai, 25th February, 1878.

Sir,—I beg to place the following facts before you, and to request that they may receive your careful consideration.

During the past year, I have experienced great trouble and inconvenience, and have likewise incurred considerable expense, in consequence of my having been obliged to take charge of a number of lunatic British subjects, who have either fallen ill at this port, or have been sent hither in a diseased state from other ports and even from Japan.

The only place there is at my disposal for the reception of these unfortunate persons is Her Majesty's jail, which is, of course, very ill-adapted for such a purpose, owing to a want of suitable accommodation and also of proper attendance and nursing.

Indeed, this latter duty has of necessity chiefly fallen on the prisoners confined in jail, who though actuated by the best intentions, are, naturally, totally unfit for such employment.

Again, the very fact of confinement in a jail in the company of criminals is hardly a fair position in which to place men who have committed no intentional wrong, and is moreover likely to weigh heavily on their minds in cases where the power of consciousness remains or returns, and must undoubtedly militate against any chances of recovery.

I have much pleasure in bearing testimony to the fact that Dr. Johnston, Surgeon to the jail, has very kindly given every care and attention in his power to these distressing cases, but I do not think it fair to expect him to continue such arduous services under the peculiar circumstances, involving as they do, an unusual degree of responsibility and expenditure of valuable time.

In conclusion, I much regret to state that the proportion of insane British subjects coming on my hands is steadily increasing, and it being neither just to the prisoners to confine them with such terror-inspiring companions nor humane to the invalids themselves that they should receive no better treatment than that to be obtained in Her Majesty's jail, it is my duty to suggest to you as a measure of common humanity that an insane ward should be immediately added to the Hospital, in order that patients suffering from insanity may receive the same kind and skilled treatment that they would have obtained in the civilised countries of Christendom.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

(Signed)

ARTHUR DAVENPORT,

*H.M.'s Officiating Consul.*

To the CHAIRMAN OF THE TRUSTEES

*Shanghai General Hospital.*

SHANGHAI, 9th March, 1878.

R. F. THORBURN, Esq.,

*Secretary, Municipal Council.*

SIR,—I am desired by the Trustees of the Shanghai General Hospital to send you a copy (enclosed) of a letter addressed to them by Mr. Davenport, H.B.M. Officiating Consul, regarding the establishment of a ward for the reception of lunatic patients to be attached to the General Hospital.

The Trustees, while quite acknowledging the necessity of such a ward, do not see their way to having it made an adjunct of the General Hospital. They have not the funds available for the erection of such a ward, which could not by any possibility pay its expenses, nor do they think it advisable to have lunatic patients in proximity to those generally frequenting the Hospital, the effect of such being likely to cause great annoyance and even bad consequences to many suffering from fever or other depressing diseases.

They, therefore, desire to bring to the notice of the Municipal Council Mr. Davenport's letter as lying more within their province than that of the Hospital.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

A. THURBURN,

*Secretary, Shanghai General Hospital.*

SHANGHAI, 18th March, 1878.

ALEX. THURBURN, Esq.,

*Secretary Shanghai General Hospital.*

SIR,—I am in receipt of your letter of 9th instant, enclosing one from Mr. Davenport, H.B.M. Officiating Consul, recommending the establishment of a ward for lunatic patients to be attached to the Hospital.

In reply, I am directed to say that the Council do not consider that the providing of accommodation for lunatic patients is a matter which lies within their province.

I am Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

R. F. THORBURN,

*Secretary Municipal Council.*

Correspondence with Board of Governors about refusal to admit patients recommended by the Municipal Surgeon :—

SHANGHAI, 16th June, 1878.

A. A. KRAUSS, Esq.,

*Chairman, Board of Governors,**Shanghai General Hospital.*

SIR,—I am desirous of bringing before you the following facts in connection with the reception of the patients at the Shanghai General Hospital.

On the 4th instant, Police Constable Brown was suddenly seized at the Louza Station with acute mania; he was noisy and violent, and made repeated attempts to jump out of the window. Dr. Henderson, the Municipal Surgeon, was sent for, who, finding that there was no suitable place for the patient at the station, ordered him to be taken to the Hospital where there is a strong room, and went there himself first to prepare for his reception. On his way he met Dr. Little, to whom he explained the nature of the case, and the latter made no objection to the patient being taken to the Hospital.

At the Hospital, Dr. Henderson explained to the Sisters that the patient was suffering from acute mania, that his illness would probably be of short duration, and that he would be provided with a male attendant.

On the patient arriving, the Sisters objected to receive him, giving, as their reason, that they had refused a similar case sent by the French Authorities, whom they did not wish to offend; that such cases were unsuitable in the Hospital and hurtful to the other patients.

Although the Sisters did not actually refuse to admit the man, the objections they raised were so strong that Dr. Henderson did not consider it advisable to press the point, so the man was taken back to the Central Station, where he completely recovered on the 3rd day.

Under these circumstances, Dr. Henderson has naturally applied to the Council in order to ascertain to whom in future it will be necessary for him to make application for permission to place a patient in the Hospital, and to know whether or not cases of emergency can be admitted to the Hospital on the simple recommendation of a doctor.

The Council are quite aware that the Hospital is not intended for the reception of confirmed lunatics with the view of their remaining permanently there, or even for any lengthened period; but the present case being of a temporary nature, and one which the medical attendant to the Hospital did not consider unsuitable for treatment there, it does not seem unreasonable to the Council that you should be asked to explain why the patient was refused admission.

May I also ask if the whole management of, and control over, the Hospital have been handed over to the Sisters, and if they alone have the power to decide whether or not patients sent by the Council are to be admitted.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. HART,

*Chairman.*

SHANGHAI, 17th July, 1878.

J. HART, Esq.,

*Chairman of the Municipal Council.*

SIR,—In answer to your letter of the 16th instant, I beg to state that there is no accommodation in the General Hospital for lunatics or cases of mania.

With regard to the admission of patients to the Hospital, I may add that, as previously, any patients are admitted on the simple recommendation of a doctor, except those suffering from mental derangement.

No change has been made in the administration of the Hospital.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

A. A. KRAUSS,

*Chairman of the Board of Governors of the General Hospital.*

SHANGHAI, 29th July, 1878.

A. A. KRAUSS, Esq.,

*Chairman of Board of Governors,  
Shanghai General Hospital.*

SIR,—I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 17th instant, from which I am glad to learn that all patients are admitted to the Hospital on the simple recommendation of a doctor, except those suffering from mental derangement.

The latter phrase, however, is rather ambiguous; the Council would, therefore, be glad if you would indicate a little more clearly the nature of the cases which are included under this head, and who is to decide upon the diseases under which the patients are suffering. For instance, delirium caused by excessive drinking, by sudden access of fever, or by the effects of the sun, are all, more or less, cases of mental derangement; but the Board of Governors surely do not mean to say that all these are to be refused admission to the Hospital.

On the other hand, dangerous lunatics and perhaps even those suffering from hydrophobia more or less developed, are also cases of mental derangement; but such as may very properly be refused admission. The Council therefore wish me to ask you if it is left exclusively to the Sisters to decide upon the nature of all cases brought to the Hospital, and if they are allowed to refuse such as they may think unfit for treatment there, without consulting the medical attendant to the institution, or the Doctor who may have the case under his charge.

You will please bear in mind that the case of Police Constable Brown was considered by his own medical attendant, and by the Surgeon to the Hospital, as one quite suitable for treatment in that institution; but that as the Sisters thought otherwise, he was refused admission.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. HART,

*Chairman.*

SHANGHAI, 2nd August, 1878.

JAMES HART, Esq.,

*Chairman of the Municipal Council.*

SIR,—I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 29th July, and in accordance with your request, I will indicate a little more clearly the nature of the cases to be included under the head of mental derangement, and to do this I may say that delirium caused by excessive drinking, sudden access of fever, the effect of the sun and hydrophobia, can be at once admitted on the simple recommendation of a doctor; but in any other case of mania it is absolutely necessary that special arrangement be made with the medical attendant at the Hospital.

In reply to your enquiry whether it is left exclusively to the Sisters to decide on the nature of all cases brought to the Hospital, I may inform you that they do not do this without consulting either Dr. Little or in his absence the Doctor who may have the case under his charge, and it will be seen from your letter of the 16th July, that they adopted this course with Dr. Henderson, who himself says the Sisters did not absolutely refuse to admit the man.

In conclusion, I believe the case referred to in your letter is the only one on record when a patient sent by the Municipality has not been admitted; and there are special circumstances, in no way connected with the Council, but referring to the refusal of one lunatic on the same day, which led to the unwillingness of the Sisters to admit another similar case.

I am Sir,

Your obedient Servant

A. A. KRAUSS,

*Chairman of the Board of  
Governors for the Hospital.*

*Lock Hospital.*—The number of Women examined now exceeds 100, and in accordance with the arrangement made with the French Council the pay of the two Inspecting Surgeons is raised to Tls. 1,000 each.

#### NUISANCES.

*Silver Refineries.*—The Inspector of Nuisances having reported that the Creeks in the neighbourhood of these establishments are contaminated by the refuse liquids which drain into them, and that the villagers complain of the annoyance they experience from the noxious vapours which escape from them, the owners were prosecuted at the Mixed Court, and ordered to close them. The following proclamation from the Chinese authorities was allowed to be posted in the Settlement:—

#### A PROHIBITIVE PROCLAMATION.

I have received the following despatch from the Taotai:—"I have been informed that all goldsmiths of Shanghai, within as well as without the city walls, submit silver they obtain to a process of refining with foreign acid in order to obtain the gold therein as a profit. The poison of this acid is stronger than arsenic, and by flowing into the drains and thence into the river, it endangers the life of the people. Therefore, there might, if not severely prohibited, a great danger arise from this poison. I have now directed the Chih-hsien of Shanghai to act accordingly, and instruct you to immediately issue a proclamation in accordance with the above, that the practice may be stopped. Should any bad character again dare to endanger life for the sake of gain by refining silver with acid to obtain gold, he will be brought before the Court and severely punished."

On receipt of the above despatch, I have given the necessary orders to my runners, and now issue this proclamation. All goldsmiths within the Settlements may therefore know that the foreign acid is a strong poison which may endanger the life of the people. And after the publication of this proclamation it shall not be used again for the sake of obtaining gold out of silver, and from this day hence everywhere the practice has to be stopped. Whoever hereafter endangers life for gain's sake will be submitted to severe punishment, &c.

THE JUDGE CHEN.

For true translation,

P. G. VON MÖLLENDORFF.

Shanghai, October, 1878.

*Noises in Streets.*—Leather washers have been ordered to be placed round the boxes of wheels of the Municipal carts to deaden the noise they make. Street hawkers are prohibited from annoying residents by their cries.

*Dogs.*—The police are instructed to destroy all apparently ownerless dogs straying about the Settlement.

#### LICENSES.

*Jin-rick-shas.*—The number licensed remains at 1,500, and every care is taken to see that they are kept clean and in good order, and that the coolies in charge of them are properly dressed.

*Wheelbarrows.*—The number licensed has, during the year, decreased to 1,600 @ 1,700.

*Native Carriages.*—All licenses issued now specify the number of passengers allowed to be carried in each vehicle. The Police have been instructed to see that all carriages stopping at the Bubbling Well are drawn up in single line on either side of the road, leaving a clear passage down the centre, and jin-rick-shas in Nankin Road, are subject to the same regulation.

#### NATIVE PROCLAMATIONS.

Chên, the Mixed Court Magistrate, in the early part of the year, forwarded to the Council, through the Senior Consul, a proclamation to be posted in Hongkew, ordering the immediate closing of certain establishments described as "Buddha Shops," of which there were said to be about 30 in various parts of the Settlements.

The Council considering that this was an unwarrantable interference with the rights of owners of property, decided that it should be returned to Chên, with an intimation that they could not allow it to be posted, upon which the Senior Consul wrote asking them to state in detail why they objected to the proclamation.

The following correspondence then passed with the Senior Consul on the subject :—

SHANGHAI, 20th May, 1878.

C. LUEDER, Esq.,

*His German Majesty's Consul General  
and Senior Consul.*

SIR,—I am directed to forward you the inclosed Chinese proclamation, and to beg that you will be good enough to inform Chen, the Mixed Court Magistrate, that the Council object to its being posted in the Settlement, as they consider it an attempt to interfere with the rights of owners of property,

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

R. F. THORBURN,

*Secretary.*

SHANGHAI, 21st May, 1878.

J. HART, Esq.,

*Chairman of the Municipal Council,  
Shanghai.*

SIR,—I am directed by His German Majesty's Consul-General to acknowledge receipt of Mr. Thorburn's letter, dated the 20th instant, to hand you the enclosed translation of the proclamation in question and to request you kindly to detail the objections, you have against that proclamation, which tends to check prostitution and swindles practised by Chinese subjects in the Settlements.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

W. ZAPPE,

*Acting Secretary of His German Majesty's  
Consulate General.*

[Translation.]

PROCLAMATION ISSUED BY SUB-PREFECT CHEN, JUDGE OF THE MIXED COURT.

*Repeated Proclamation*

Whereas there are in the Settlements bad characters, who call themselves fictitiously Buddhist and Taoist Priests and Nuns and who open so called "Buddha shops," in which men and women, mixed together, are either reduced to evil or asked for money, I have, after receiving order from the Tantai to prohibit such practice, issued a proclamation to that effect.

Such houses there are within the Settlements more than thirty, and as I am really afraid that it has been impossible to completely stop and remove them and as there is a daily and stealthily increasing shooting up of them, a proclamation forbidding their existence is again issued.

I therefore make this known to all, and people who keep such "Buddha shops" within the Settlements have to act accordingly.

Should there exist such shops, which are not yet closed, then the landlords and the ti-paus shall order such priests to close them and shall not allow that men and women come together at night-time, that buddhist books are recited or that money is asked for.



But should any one dare to secretly oppose, whilst feigning obedience, then, either after official enquiries or after private complaints, the headmen of such priests, together with the ti-paus, will be brought to law and severely punished without mercy.

Don't cause repentance when too late.

Let every body obey with awe, do not disobey.

Important and urgent!

A special proclamation.

Kwang-hsu, fourth year fourth moon 12th day.

To be posted up at Hongkew.

True Translation

(Signed) P. G. VON MÜLLENDORFF.

SHANGHAI, 27th May, 1878.

C. LUEDER, Esq.,

*His German Majesty's Consul General  
and Senior Consul.*

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of Mr. Zappe's letter of 21st instant handing me translation of the proclamation to which the Council objected on the ground that it was an attempt on the part of the Native Authorities to interfere with the rights of owners of Property.

In the letter under reply the Council are informed that the object of the proclamation is to check prostitution, and swindling amongst Chinese subjects in the Settlements, and I am requested to state in detail the reasons why the Council object to it.

In reply I can only repeat what has been already written to you on the subject, and add that the Council cannot admit that the Native Authorities have the right, whenever they think proper, to order the closing of any places in the settlement, which they virtually assume they have by issuing the proclamation in question.

As to what takes place in those so called, "Buddha shops," the Council are of course ignorant, but no complaint has been made to the police about them by any one living in their neighbourhood; they cannot therefore be characterized as disorderly houses, or indicted as a public nuisance, and closed on that account.

From inquiries I have made I am led to believe that the real cause of complaint against them is, that they interfere with the attendance of the natives at the regular Joss houses in the city and elsewhere, and that they refuse to pay any "squeeze" to the Head Priest, which has led to a considerable reduction in his income.

From the correspondence which took place in 1876 between the Senior Consul, and the Council, you are no doubt aware that the latter have always claimed the right to withhold their consent to any Native proclamation being posted in the Settlement, which has not previously been submitted to them for approval, and to be stamped with the Municipal Seal.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

J. HART,

*Chairman Municipal Council.*

SHANGHAI, 21st June, 1878.

J. HART, Esq.,

*Chairman Municipal Council.*

SIR,—In reply to your letter dated 27th May last and regarding Buddha shops, I have much pleasure in informing you, that the Chinese authorities have taken your remarks, as far as they regard those shops, into consideration. The proclamation in question has been replaced by another one, which does not order the closure of the shops.



I avail myself of this opportunity to call your attention to the fact, that by their own free will the Chinese authorities pay 14,000 Dollars and 400 Taels a year for the benefit of the Settlements.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

C. LUEDER,

*His German Majesty's Consul General,  
Senior Consul.*

### ARRESTS BY NATIVE AUTHORITIES.

SHANGHAI, 8th August, 1878.

SIR,—I beg to report for the information of the Watch Committee that about 5 p.m., 7th inst., several runners from the City and Mixed Court arrested a woman at 142, Szechuan Road, placed her in a jin-rick-sha and conveyed her to the Mixed Court, and from thence she was sent into the City. No notice of this arrest was given to the Police, the friends of the woman came to the Police Station shortly after and reported that the woman had been kidnapped by some men unknown.

I have heard that a warrant has been issued by the District Magistrate and signed by one of the Foreign Assessors at the Mixed Court, for the arrest of this woman, but why should the warrant be executed in this informal manner, unless there is something wrong in the proceedings which would not bear the inspection of the Police.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

C. PENFOLD,

*Superintendent.*

SHANGHAI, 12th August, 1878.

C. LUEDER, Esq.,

*His German Majesty's Consul-General,*

*Senior Consul.*

SIR,—I have the honor to inform you that the Superintendent of Police has reported to the Council that at about 5 o'clock p.m., on the 7th inst., several runners from the city and the Mixed Court arrested a native woman at No. 142, Szechuan Road, placed her in a jin-rick-sha, and conveyed her to the Mixed Court, whence she was sent into the city.

No notice of the intention to make this arrest was given to the Police, and the only became aware of it from the friends of the woman coming shortly afterwards to the station to complain that she had been carried off by some unknown persons.

It is said that a warrant for the arrest of the woman was issued by the District Magistrate and countersigned by one of the Assessors at the Mixed Court, but it is difficult to understand why the arrest should have been made in such informal manner unless there was something wrong in the whole proceedings.

Hitherto it has been the custom for native runners entrusted with the execution of a warrant in the Settlement to have it countersigned by one of the Assessors in the first instance, and then to apply to the Police for assistance in making the arrest. I have therefore to request that you will bring the affair to the notice of H.E. the Acting Taotai, and ask him to explain why the usual custom was departed from in this case; why an arrest was made in the Settlement without any intimation being given to the Police; and what crime the woman is supposed to have committed.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. HART,

*Chairman.*

J. HART, Esq.,

*Chairman Municipal Council.*

SHANGHAI, 16th August, 1878.

Sir,—I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter, dated the 12th inst., and regarding the arrest of a native woman by the Chinese authorities.

Without entering on the question of principle, I have to reply, that according to information received from the Magistrate of the Mixed Court the warrant in question has been issued by him and countersigned by the British Assessor, that no intimation has been given to the Police, because the runners being on their way to the Police-station met the woman in the streets and that the woman has been arrested in consequence of a civil case.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

C. LUEDER,

*His German Majesty's Consul General,*

*Senior Consul.*

#### MARKET BRANCH.

The Inspector reports that he has visited the Markets daily during the year and has found them always well-supplied with good and wholesome articles of food. During the year 1,365 lbs. of Beef, and 142 lbs. of mutton, killed for Foreign consumption, were condemned at the slaughter houses as unfit for the market, the rejected meat being marked and kept in view until disposed of at the boiling down establishments. In consequence of the supervision exercised, it is very exceptional to find any meat in the Markets which is unfit for food. The only seizures made were two Water-Buffalo calves, which were offered for sale as veal. The Butchers, in whose shops the meat was found, were prosecuted in the Mixed Court and fined \$5 each.

During the year there have been killed for the Foreign market :— 6,064 oxen, 9,632 sheep, 1,069 calves, and 217 foreign bred pigs ; and, for Chinese consumption, 626 oxen, 867 water Buffaloes, 37 sheep and 47 ponies.

No rinderpest or other animal epidemic disease has appeared, and the cattle in the sheds are healthy.

*Game.*—93 head of game were seized in the market before the season opened, and the dealers prosecuted in the Mixed Court. The Magistrate inflicted fines amounting to \$27.00, but at the same time intimated that in future he would not punish anyone for this offence, as he considered that those foreigners who bought game out of season were more to blame than the natives who sold it.

The Council recommend that next year the open season shall commence on 1st September, instead of on 1st October as at present.

#### NUISANCE BRANCH.

The Inspector of Nuisances reports that the roads and alleys have been swept and cleaned as usual—the roads twice and the alleys once

daily. The garbage collected is removed in boats beyond the limits of the Settlement, a large portion being sold to native farmers for manure, and the remainder deposited above the high-water mark on the North bank of the Soochow Creek, near the Stone Bridge. The quantity of refuse collected during the year has been 20,995 cart loads.

Fifty-three nuisances have been reported during the year, mostly choked drains in private alleys in native part of the Settlement, which have been readily attended to by the owners of the properties.

There are at present two sources of nuisance in the Settlement which require special attention :—

One is the waste unenclosed land adjoining the houses on the out-skirts of the inhabited part of the Settlement, and which is freely used by the natives for latrine purposes in places where they are exposed to the view of people passing along the road. This might be remedied to a great extent by building a sufficient number of public latrines in suitable positions.

The other nuisance is a series of ditches or creeks a little to the North of, and running parallel to, the Broadway, near the Old Dock. These ditches were originally tidal, but being now partly filled up with rubbish, they are only affected by the very high spring tides. They receive the drainage of a number of native houses, and in hot weather are most offensive.

The night-soil Contractor has performed his work satisfactorily during the year, very few complaints having been made against him.

Silver assaying or refining has been carried on to a considerable extent. The Chinese proprietors of these establishments were prosecuted in the Mixed Court for a nuisance, and were ordered to close their works, but in most instances the latter were transferred to foreigners, and, although proceedings were taken against one proprietor in the Supreme Court, the work is still carried on.

#### VARIATION IN THE POLICE FORCE DURING 1878.

*Foreigners.*—Eight Constables have been dismissed for misconduct, three Sergeants and six Constables have resigned, one was invalided, and two died. 21 men have joined the force during the year.

*Natives.*—One Sergeant and five Constables have been dismissed.

#### DESTITUTE FOREIGNERS.

There were 2 destitute persons in the free beds at the General Hospital on the 1st of January, 1878, and during the year, 38 poor persons have been sent to the Hospital and admitted; of these, 31 were discharged well, 3 died and 6 are now in Hospital. The service thus rendered is equivalent to one patient being in the Hospital 1807 days.

RETURN OF FOREIGNERS ARRESTED BY THE MUNICIPAL POLICE,  
FROM 1st JANUARY TO 31st DECEMBER, 1878.

	<i>Assault.</i>	<i>Cutting and wounding.</i>	<i>Desertion.</i>	<i>Drunk and incapable.</i>	<i>Drunk and riotous</i>	<i>Larceny.</i>	<i>Man- slaughter.</i>	<i>Misde- meanor.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
January .....	..	..	..	10	2	1	..	2	15
February.....	2	..	3	10	1	..	1	..	17
March .....	4	..	1	20	10	6	..	..	41
April .....	6	..	..	29	4	..	..	1	40
May .....	7	..	2	30	9	1	..	1	50
June .....	6	1	1	23	6	1	..	..	38
July .....	2	..	1	19	6	3	..	..	31
August .....	1	..	1	26	3	3	..	..	34
September .....	4	1	3	28	5	2	..	3	46
October .....	8	..	2	29	6	2	..	2	49
November .....	9	..	..	15	5	1	..	1	31
December .....	1	1	1	16	7	1	..	..	27
	50	3	15	255	64	21	1	10	419

RETURN OF CHINESE TAKEN INTO CUSTODY BY THE MUNICIPAL POLICE FORCE,  
FROM 1ST JANUARY TO 31ST DECEMBER 1878.

	<i>Abounding.</i>	<i>Assault.</i>	<i>Burglary &amp; house-breaking.</i>	<i>Committing nuisance.</i>	<i>Cutting &amp; wounding.</i>	<i>Drunkenness.</i>	<i>Embezzlement.</i>	<i>Firing crackers.</i>	<i>Forgery.</i>	<i>Fraud.</i>	<i>Furious riding.</i>	<i>Gambling.</i>	<i>Kidnapping.</i>	<i>Larceny.</i>	<i>Larceny by servants.</i>	<i>Lottery.</i>	<i>Manslaughter.</i>	<i>Misdemeanor.</i>	<i>Obstruction.</i>	<i>Receiving stolen property.</i>	<i>Riotous &amp; destroying property.</i>	<i>Robbery.</i>	<i>Shouting &amp; creating a disturbance.</i>	<i>Squeezing.</i>	<i>Uttering.</i>	<i>Vagrancy.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
January....	1	16	13	9	1	2	1	13	..	6	..	4	4	65	7	1	..	36	8	2	..	..	29	..	1	723	942
February....	..	9	10	4	..	6	1	1	..	..	1	33	4	56	1	2	..	27	1	2	1	..	13	..	..	485	657
March.....	1	25	8	10	1	12	1	..	..	..	5	19	6	68	3	1	..	21	1	..	13	..	22	1	..	378	596
April.....	1	17	1	13	1	9	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	84	3	2	..	22	5	3	5	..	21	2	..	434	626
May.....	..	25	8	9	..	6	..	1	..	3	..	9	..	67	6	10	..	24	47	..	3	3	36	5	1	396	659
June.....	1	13	4	7	..	8	..	3	..	3	1	5	..	77	7	8	..	11	22	6	3	..	30	..	1	535	745
July.....	..	25	5	..	3	6	1	..	..	3	..	23	..	76	1	6	..	21	14	4	7	..	34	..	1	457	687
August.....	15	28	9	68	..	5	1	18	..	2	..	25	3	107	4	4	..	48	11	3	1	..	58	1	..	366	777
September..	..	22	9	33	..	11	..	9	..	3	2	13	2	84	1	4	..	38	8	4	..	..	35	1	..	363	642
October....	..	25	4	89	1	10	..	1	..	1	..	20	..	70	12	5	..	22	5	..	4	..	33	..	..	308	610
November..	1	21	11	26	..	6	..	4	2	1	..	6	..	73	1	5	..	17	12	1	7	..	24	1	..	301	518
December...	..	13	8	13	..	8	1	..	..	3	..	5	..	82	2	6	..	5	6	3	3	..	24	3	..	405	592
Total.	20	239	90	281	7	89	6	50	2	26	10	162	20	909	48	54	..	292	140	28	47	3	359	14	4	5,151	8,051

In addition, 2,284 Jin-rick-sha coolies have been arrested for breach of the terms of their licenses.

CONDITION OF CHINESE PRISONERS APPREHENDED BY THE MUNICIPAL POLICE FORCE,  
FROM 1st JANUARY TO 31st DECEMBER, 1878.

	Neither read nor write.		Read only or read & write imperfectly.		Read & write well.		Known Thieves.		Unknown.		Opium smokers		10 and under 20 years.		20 and under 30 years.		30 and under 40 years.		Upwards of 40 years.		Total.
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	
Abseonding .....	18	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	20	..	1	..	..	..	10	..	9	..	1	..	20
Assault .....	197	1	24	..	17	..	3	..	235	1	38	..	11	..	96	..	103	1	28	..	239
Burglary and house-breaking .....	80	..	8	..	2	..	34	..	56	..	42	..	3	..	58	..	22	..	7	..	90
Committing nuisance .....	254	6	21	..	..	..	..	..	275	6	51	..	16	..	92	2	108	2	59	2	281
Cutting and wounding .....	5	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	7	..	2	..	..	..	5	..	2	..	..	..	7
Drunkenness .....	76	..	8	..	5	..	2	..	87	..	5	..	3	..	38	..	36	..	12	..	89
Emblezzlement .....	1	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	6
Firing crackers .....	34	5	10	..	1	..	..	..	45	5	4	..	5	1	12	2	21	1	7	1	50
Forgery .....	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Fraud .....	19	..	2	..	5	..	..	..	26	..	7	..	2	..	11	..	11	..	2	..	26
Furious riding .....	7	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	1	..	5	..	3	..	1	..	10
Gambling .....	135	..	24	..	3	..	5	..	157	..	62	..	25	..	51	..	53	..	33	..	162
Kidnapping .....	17	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	19	1	..	..	..	..	5	..	8	..	6	1	20
Larceny .....	773	2	109	..	25	..	196	..	711	2	434	..	46	1	469	1	303	..	89	..	909
Larceny by servants .....	39	..	4	..	5	..	1	..	47	..	3	..	1	..	24	..	15	..	8	..	48
Loitering .....	49	..	2	..	3	..	22	..	32	..	33	..	4	..	28	..	20	..	2	..	54
Manslaughter .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Misdemeanor .....	269	1	18	..	4	..	23	..	268	1	87	..	16	..	113	..	113	1	49	..	292
Obstruction .....	137	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	140	..	62	..	4	..	52	..	47	..	37	..	140
Receiving stolen property .....	14	..	8	..	6	..	..	..	28	..	6	..	1	..	7	..	8	..	12	..	28
Riotous and destroying property ..	42	1	1	..	3	..	..	..	46	1	7	..	3	..	21	..	14	1	8	..	47
Robbery .....	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	3
Shouting, creating disturbance ..	293	5	46	..	15	..	6	..	348	5	50	..	20	2	180	3	104	..	50	..	359
Squeezing .....	6	..	4	..	4	..	1	..	13	..	1	..	..	..	7	..	5	..	2	..	14
Uttering .....	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	2	..	4
	2471	22	296	..	111	..	293	..	2585	22	839	..	161	4	1290	8	1012	6	415	4	2900

# RETURN ON PUNISHMENTS INFLICTED ON CHINESE PRISONERS APPREHENDED BY THE MUNICIPAL

POLICE FORCE, FROM 1<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY TO 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER, 1878.

	Blows.			Cangue.			Imprisonment.				Blows, Cangue & Imprison.						Fined.	Referred to City.	Remanded.	Warned.	Dismissed.	Total
	Under 50	50 Under 100	Upwards 100	7 days.	7 & not more 1 month.	Upwards 1 mon.	Not excc. 7 days	Upwards 7 days not excc. 1 mon.	Upwards 1 mon. not excc. 6 mons.	Upwards 6 mons.	Not excc. 100	Upwards of 100	Not excc. 1 mon.	Upwards 1 mon.	Not excc. 6 mons.	Upwards 6 mons.						
Absconding .....	...	...	...	2	2	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	12	20
Assault .....	1	19	...	4	7	...	19	14	4	...	7	4	3	2	6	...	83	1	13	6	57	239
Burglary & house-breaking ..	...	3	...	...	6	4	1	14	25	8	9	5	4	12	5	3	1	6	...	...	4	90
Committing nuisance .....	...	...	...	2	5	...	52	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	214	...	...	2	6	281
Cutting & wounding .....	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	3	...	...	...	1	7
Drunkenness .....	2	...	...	1	...	...	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	88	2	...	16	18	89
Embezzlement .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	6
Firing crackers .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	50	...	...	...	...	50
Forgery .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	2
Fraud .....	1	...	...	1	...	...	4	9	2	1	...	...	1	...	...	5	3	...	...	...	...	26
Furious riding .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	7	...	1	...	...	10
Gambling .....	1	...	...	...	7	3	17	40	17	1	7	2	2	5	2	...	49	11	...	3	4	162
Kidnapping .....	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	2	2	...	3	2	1	...	2	5	...	5	20
Larceny .....	12	41	5	33	145	19	72	169	121	34	42	12	27	18	22	9	20	36	51	8	78	909
Larceny by servants .....	...	...	...	...	4	...	1	4	9	4	3	2	8	...	5	...	5	...	4	...	8	48
Loitering .....	1	1	...	3	...	9	18	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	2	2	7	54
Manslaughter .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Misdemeanor .....	1	2	...	...	6	2	19	6	12	1	4	...	...	3	1	...	179	10	10	11	29	292
Obstruction .....	...	...	...	7	...	...	71	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	47	...	...	11	4	140
Receiving stolen property ...	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	4	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	...	...	1	3	28
Riotous & destr'ing property.	1	...	4	...	1	4	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	25	...	4	3	4	47
Robbery .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Shouting & creating disturb.	1	9	3	5	3	...	52	5	...	...	5	...	4	...	1	...	118	4	14	73	67	359
Squeezing .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	5	2	...	1	14
Uttering .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	4
	19	77	9	59	192	29	331	281	216	56	88	27	48	45	46	13	866	86	106	136	308	2,900



# HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT, 1878.

## DEATH RETURNS.

The deaths of ninety-four Foreigners have been registered in Shanghai during 1878. A tabular statement of these will be found at page 45 of this report. At page 46 it has been attempted as formerly, to separate the deaths which took place among the residents, from those which occurred among the non-residents, the latter being chiefly represented by the sailors who visit the port; in making this division, six months spent in Shanghai have been regarded as constituting residence.

The deaths of fourteen young children have been registered during the year, and these will be found tabulated at page 46.

Nationality was registered in 90 cases, the distribution being as follows:—Great Britain 56, America 12, Germany 5, Sweden 3, Russia 3, Denmark 3, Austria 2, West Indies 2, Norway 2, Switzerland 1, British India 1. Besides these there were four cases in which no nationality was mentioned.

Age was ascertained in ninety-one cases:—

Under 1 year.....	7		
Over 1 year and under 10 .....	7		Adults
" 10           "           20 .....	2		residents.
" 20           "           30 .....	29	7	
" 30           "           40 .....	21	9	
" 40           "           50 .....	14	9	
" 50           "           60 .....	9	7	
" 60           "           70 .....	2		
	91	82	

For the sake of comparison with former years, the table of death rates given in the last report may be extended. The population—resident and non-resident—is estimated at 3,000, a convenient number, which probably nearly approaches the truth.

In 1870, deaths registered 103—death rate 34.3 per 1,000.

" 1871,	"	99	"	33.0	"
" 1872,	"	101	"	33.6	"
" 1873,	"	90	"	30.0	"
" 1874,	"	83	"	27.6	"
" 1875,	"	67	"	22.3	"
" 1876,	"	69	"	23.0	"
" 1877,	"	85	"	28.3	"
" 1878,	"	94	"	31.3	"

While the total death rate is greater this year than last by 3 per 1,000, it has to be noted that the increase for the most part has been among the non-residents. For, of *adult residents*, there died in 1877, thirty-five; in 1878, thirty-four; of *young children*, in 1877, eleven; in 1878, fourteen.

## SPECIAL DISEASES OF THE YEAR.

Two causes alone bring the death rate this year above that of last year, viz: Heat Apoplexy and Drowning, causing the death of fifteen people.

On the 18th of August, the first case of Cholera was reported from a barque, the *Mount Lebanon*, which had been at anchor in the river for five and a half months; this case was fatal. The number of deaths from this cause is the same as that of last year, viz. sixteen; of these, two are residents as compared with six last year; while thirteen are either sailors or in some way connected with the shipping; fifteen are adults; fourteen males and one female, while one is a male child of seventeen months.

At the commencement of the outbreak, the attention of the Watch Committee was called to the fact, and the special sanitary precautions recommended in 1877 for Cholera (and published in the report for that year) advised to be put into execution. This was done. It is noteworthy that while deaths occurred on the river, in the Hongkew Settlement, in the native part of the English Settlement, and I believe on the French side, that is, on all sides of the Foreign part of the English settlement, not only did no death occur in the last mentioned, but, so far as I am aware, no severe seizure occurred.

The following details are extracted from the official register:—

## DURATION OF ILLNESS.

1.	18th August	2 days	From ship, 5½ months in Port.
2.	30th "	12 hours	Resident in Hongkew.
3.	" "	3 days	From ship, one month in Port.
4.	2nd Sep.	30 hours	From ship.
5.	3rd "	not stated	17 months old.
6.	7th "	4 days	From ship, one month in Port.
7.	14th "	16 hours	5 months resident.
8.	17th "	24 "	
9.	18th "	4 days	From ship.
10.	26th "	30 hours	"
11.	28th "	not stated	" 2 months in Port.
12.	2nd Oct.	16 hours	" 3 weeks.
13.	24th "	36 "	" 12 days.
14.	25th "	15 "	"
15.	15th Nov.	16 "	"
16.	27th "	not stated	"

Heat apoplexy carried off eight victims; seven of these were adult residents. The duration of the disease is stated to be in one case two days; in a second, a few minutes; in a third, half an hour; and in a fourth, two hours. In the last case, a very high temperature, 111.° F. was registered. In the second and third no medical man was present before death took place, and probably the duration of illness was longer than here stated. *Post mortem* examination of both bodies showed extensive and general alcoholic degeneration of the tissues. Six hours after death the internal

temperature of one body was 107. ° F. Three cases are from the shipping. One case occurred in May after very severe exertion, one on the 7th two on the 9th and one on the 16th of July, two on the 8th and one on the 9th of August.

Of the seven cases of death from drowning but one is an adult resident, the remaining six being from the shipping.

Of a considerable number of cases of whooping cough which occurred during the year, only two cases are recorded as being fatal, and in both these cases the disease was preceded by measles and accompanied by severe complications, which latter caused death.

#### DEATHS REGISTERED IN SHANGHAI DURING 1878.

	Jan.	Feb.	March	April.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Totals.
Fever Typhus .....		1	1										2
„ Enteric .....								2	1				3
„ Remittent .....										1			1
„ Simple Continued .....								1					1
„ Puerperal .....		1											1
Cholera .....								8	8	8	2		16
Acute Gastric Enteritis .....									1				1
Infantile Cholera .....								1	1	1	1		4
Dysentery .....								1	1				2
Chronic Diarrhoea .....								1				1	2
Ulceration of Bowel .....								1					1
Gangrene „ .....									1				1
Liver disease .....		1			1	1		1			1		5
Pneumonia .....				1						1			2
Bronchitis .....	1			1									2
Pulmonary Phthisis .....			2	1				1			1		5
Heart Disease .....	1	1	1			1		1		1			6
Aneurism of Aorta .....			1							1			2
Arterial Degeneration .....								1					1
Bright's Disease .....											1		1
Cancerous Disease of Bladder ..	1												1
Cerebral Disease .....		1	2		1		1				1		6
Heat Apoplexy .....					1		4	8					8
Meningitis .....						1							1
Fracture of Skull .....				1	1								2
Lockjaw of Infants .....						1							1
Convulsions .....								1					1
Spina Bifida .....										1			1
Tuberculosis .....								1	1				2
Disease of Knee Joint .....										1			1
Injury from Fall .....									1				1
Wound of Lung and Aorta .....			1										1
Opium Poisoning .....	1												1
Drowning .....					1	1		1	2	1	1		7
Gangrenous Inflammation .....											1		1
Totals.....	4	5	8	4	5	5	5	16	16	14	8	4	94

## SHANGHAI DEATH RETURNS, 1878.

## ADULT RESIDENTS.

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Totals.
Fever Enteric .....								1					1
" Remittent .....											1		1
" Puerperal .....		1											1
Cholera .....								1					1
Dysentery .....									1				1
Disease of Liver .....		1			1	1							3
Bronchitis .....	1												1
Pulmonary Phthisis .....			1										1
Heart Disease .....	1	1	1			1		1		1			6
Aneurism of Aorta .....			1							1			2
Arterial Degeneration .....									1				1
Bright's Disease .....												1	1
Cancerous Disease of Bladder .....	1												1
Cerebral Disease .....			2								1		3
Heat Apoplexy .....					1		4	2					7
Fracture of Skull .....					1								1
Opium Poisoning .....	1												1
Drowning .....						1							1
Totals .....	4	3	5	0	3	3	4	5	2	2	2	1	34

## INFANTS AND YOUNG CHILDREN.

Date.	Age.	Cause of Death.
April	1 year and 7 months	Bronchitis.
"	10 months	Pneumonia.
June	18 days	Lockjaw (Trismus neonatorum).
July	2 years	Measles, Whooping Cough, Brain disease.
August	5 years and 6 months	Measles, Whooping Cough—tubercular lung and bowel disease.
"	8 months	Convulsions in dentition.
"	3 years	Simple continued fever and exhaustion.
"	6 months	Tubercular disease.
September	1 year and 5 months	Asiatic Cholera.
"	1 " 1 "	Infantile Cholera.
October	1 " 1 "	" "
November	11 days	Spina Bifida.
"	1 year	Infantile Cholera.
December	11 months	" "

NEIL MACLEOD,  
Acting Health Officer.

## MUNICIPAL VACCINATION.

1,295 Chinese children were vaccinated during the past year. 705, were from the English Settlement, 353 from Hongkew and its suburbs and 237 from the French Settlement. Supplies of vaccine were forwarded to many of the cities of this province and to the Coast Ports.

JAMES JOHNSTON, M.D.,  
*Surgeon, Chinese Hospital.*

## LOCK HOSPITAL.

The expectations connected with this institution and expressed in the Report for the year 1877 have been completely fulfilled. As regards the prejudices of the women against the system, which the last Report said were satisfactorily overcome, they have been scarcely felt during the last year. The best evidence of this is the constant increase shown by the list of the women on the roll. Whilst according to the last Report there were only 68 women distributed amongst 17 houses, there are now 106 women from 21 houses; and, as has been formerly the case, many more have been from time to time examined and rejected.

The institution has also done good in a sanitary point of view. This is specially the case in consequence of the women giving greater attention to their persons and clothing after once having been examined and knowing their examination is to be repeated weekly. Although the number of women examined has increased to almost double that of last year, there have been nevertheless absolutely fewer cases of disease. The report for December last gives as a maximum 12 sick women, all cases being of a slight nature. Another consequence of the regular surveillance, which is not to be undervalued, is the fact that women affected with secondary Syphilis, who in consequence would be subjected to prolonged treatment, generally leave the Settlement for their homes.

It is a most satisfactory result that, according to reports obtained from Surgeons of men-of-war of various nationalities stationed at Shanghai, cases of Syphilis have greatly decreased in number and are rare in comparison with the sick lists at other ports where there is no surveillance of prostitutes. In illustration of this I may add, that, having been charged with the functions of a surgeon on board H. I. R. M. gun-boat *Morge* with a compliment of 90 men, during June and July last, I had to treat only one case of Syphilis, contracted during her stay in port, whilst 6 cases of Syphilis were on the sick-list on the arrival of the vessel from Tientsin.

The following statement, kindly communicated by Staff-Surgeon Terry of H. M. S. *Charybdis*, now in port, with a complement of 275 men shows the amount of venereal disease on board during the last year, contracted in the various ports the vessel has visited:—

Place.	Number of days in port.	Gonorrhœa.	SYPHILIS.	
			Primary.	Secondary.
Singapore ...	144	6	5	2
Hongkong ...	15	...	2	1
Nagasaki ...	11	5	3	...
Kobe .....	6	...	...	...
Yokohama ...	31	3	4	2
Shanghai ...	61	...	2	...
Chingkiang...	47	1	...	...

VICTOR ZACHARIE, M.D.,  
*Acting Surgeon to the Lock Hospital.*

## WORKS MATTERS.

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### HONGKEW POLICE STATION.

By desire of the Council, Mr. H. Lester furnished plans for the New Station, including residence for the Inspector, quarters for Foreign and Native Constables, Police Cells, Bell Tower, Godown, &c., as well as Dwelling Houses for the Inspector of Nuisances, and Overseer of Roads. Tenders for the construction of these buildings were advertised for; when it was ascertained that to complete the whole, according to the architect's plans, would require a considerably larger sum than the Tls. 24,000 voted in March 1877; by the Ratepayers, to cover cost of land and buildings. It was therefore decided only to build in the meantime the residences for the Inspector, quarters for 20 Foreign and 40 Native Constables, and 8 Police Cells, along with walls, gates, &c., costing with the land, architect's commission, &c., Tls. 25,318.00, which is all that was contemplated being built when the money was voted.

It is estimated that to complete the whole will cost an additional sum of Tls. 7,500, which can be raised by Debentures when the Ratepayers decide upon doing so.

### ROADS.

The Council have missed no opportunity of acquiring land for the purpose of widening the main thoroughfares in the Settlement. The cost has, of course, been considerable, but they do not think the Ratepayers will consider the amount expended excessive, when they take into consideration the great improvements which have been effected. As a rule, the price paid has been the assessed value of the land, with an allowance for the cost of moving walls, &c.

Particulars of the roads widened are given in the annexed report from the Surveyor, and arrangements are in progress for the purchase of a strip of land for widening the Hankow road between the Bund and Szechuen road, and for acquiring a few feet in front of Chaou Fong Hong in Nankin Road.

Markham Road Extension.—From the subjoined correspondence, it will be seen that no further progress has been made in the scheme for extending the Markham to the Jessfield road, but the part along the Soochow Creek to Batt's Bungalow has been made up and widened, and the Creek partially bunded :



SHANGHAI, 8th April, 1878.

C. LUEDER, Esq.,

*H.I.G.M. Consul-General,**and Senior Member of the Consular Body.*

SIR,—I have the honor to address you regarding the extension of the Markham to the Jessfield road, and to beg that you will bring the subject to the notice of the Foreign Ministers at Peking, requesting them to use their influence with the Tsung-li Yamen with the view of obtaining for the Council permission to purchase the land required for this purpose.

During the last four or five years, repeated attempts have been made by the Foreign community resident here to get this road, but unfortunately without success, for although the country people have not the least objection to sell the land at a fair and reasonable price, the different Tepasous in the district, acting under orders from H.E. the Taotai, refuse to affix their seals to the deeds of sale, without which no transfer of the land can be effected.

For your information and guidance, I beg to hand you copies of the correspondence which has already taken place on this subject, and would more particularly call your attention to the despatch from H.E. Liu, Taotai, dated 28th October, 1877, and addressed to A. Davenport, Esq., H.B.M. Acting Consul, in which the former states that he has received instructions from Shen, Commissioner for Foreign Affairs, not to allow of any land being purchased for the making of roads, "to the detriment of the existing roads, and the cultivation of the land."

As you are no doubt aware the Markham road was originally made in 1863, by the military authorities for the use of the troops sent by the British Government to protect the city of Shanghai and the surrounding districts from the ravages of the rebels, who at that time were in possession of nearly the whole province.

Afterwards, when the rebels were driven away from this neighborhood and Soochow, and other towns had been retaken by the troops under Major, now Colonel, Gordon, the road was neglected: the bridges became rotten and impassable, or were carried away for firewood by the villagers, and the road was gradually encroached on by the owners of the fields on either side of it, so that nothing now remains but a pathway to show the line it followed.

The proposed line of road is almost identical with that of the old Markham road, and all the Council now ask is permission to purchase very nearly the same ground as formed the old road, and to restore the bridges which they originally made.

Under these circumstances, I venture to hope that if through your good offices all these details can be placed before the Tsung-li Yamen, orders will be sent to the officials here that they are no longer to place obstacles in the way of foreigners acquiring the land required to make a road which is to be used solely for purposes of recreation, and cannot interfere in any way with those already existing, or with the cultivation of the land.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

J. HART,

*Chairman Municipal Council.*

SHANGHAI, 10th April, 1878.

To J. HART, Esq.,

*Chairman, Municipal Council, Shanghai.*

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated the 8th instant, and regarding the extension of the Markham to the Jessfield Road.

I consider it to be in the interest of the matter if you would give me particulars of the importance of the new road or the purpose of its construction. You would further oblige me by sending me a second draft of your letter's enclosure and two rough sketches of the locality in question.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

C. LUEDER,

*His German Majesty's Consul-General,**Senior Consul.*

SHANGHAI, 11th April, 1878.

C. LUEDER, Esq.,

*His German Majesty's Consul-General  
and Senior Member of Consular Body,  
Shanghai.*

SIR,—In compliance with your request, I beg to enclose duplicates of the letters forwarded to you in my despatch of 8th instant, and two rough sketches of the proposed extension of the Markham to the Jessfield Road.

The road in question is to be used exclusively for purposes of recreation, such as driving, riding or walking, in which way it will conduce materially to the health and comfort of the foreign community, and therefore it is of some importance to obtain it. It is one also which the residents have long desired to have completed, as by connecting the Markham and Jessfield Roads an opportunity will be given them of varying the somewhat monotonous drive from the Settlement to the Bubbling Well and back again.

The distance between the two points to be connected is under two miles, the breadth of the road will not exceed 30 or 40 feet, and no graves or water course will be interfered with.

To say that this road will interfere to the detriment of existing roads, or with the cultivation of the soil, is so exceedingly childish that the Council can only look upon it as an evidence of an extreme desire to disoblige foreigners on the part of the Governor-General.

It is on this account that I have thought it desirable to ask your kind assistance in having the facts placed before the Tsung-li Yamén at Peking.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. HART,  
*Chairman.*

J. HART, Esq.,

*Chairman Municipal Council, Shanghai.*

SHANGHAI, 16th April, 1878.

SIR,—In reply to your letters dated the 8th and 11th instant, regarding the extension of the Markham to the Jessfield Road, I beg to inform you that the matter has been referred to the Diplomatic Body in Peking.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

C. LUEDER,  
*His German Majesty's Consul-General,  
Senior Consul,*

SHANGHAI, 6th June, 1878.

J. HART, Esq.,

*Chairman Municipal Council.*

SIR,—Referring to your letters dated the 8th and 12th April, 1878, and regarding the extension of the Markham to the Jessfield Road, I have the honor to inform you, that according to a communication received from his German Majesty's Legation at Peking, the Doyen of the Corps Diplomatique, Mr. Seward, has informed his colleagues by circular dated the 25th May last, that he spoke with the Ministers of the Yamén in regard to the Markham Road, and that they agreed to write to the Provincial Officers in the sense that, if no special objections are found in Shanghai, none will be raised by the Government.

It will be in the interest of the matter to delay the beginning of the works, until the instructions agreed upon have reached the local authorities.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

C. LUEDER,  
*His German Majesty's Consul-General  
Senior Consul.*

SHANGHAI, 22nd June, 1878.

J. HART, Esq.,  
*Chairman, Municipal Council.*

SIR,—I beg to hand you the enclosed translation of a communication received from the Acting Taotai and regarding the extension of the Markham to the Jessfield Road.

You will kindly appoint an officer, who may examine the locality in question, together with the deputies of the Chinese authorities and Mr. von Möllendorff, as deputy of the Senior Consul, and acquaint me with the name of the said officer.

I have the honour to be, Sir,  
 Your obedient Servant,

C. LUEDER,  
*His German Majesty's Consul-General,  
 Senior Consul.*

[Translation.]

SHANGHAI, 22nd June, 1878.

C. LUEDER, Esq.,  
*His German Majesty's Consul-General,  
 Senior Consul.*

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 13th inst., transmitting copy of a letter from H.G.M.'s *Chargé d'Affaires* at Pekin, with regard to a conversation held by Mr. Seward, U.S. Minister, with the Tsung-li Yamén on account of the construction of the Markham Road.

On the 16th instant, I received instructions from the Minister for the Southern ports and the Governor of this province to the effect that according to a letter received from the Tsung-li Yamén, dated the 24th May, the U.S. Minister, Mr. Seward, informed the Yamén that it was intended to construct a carriage-road outside of the Settlements of Shanghai to the West, about six *li* in length, and asked for written instructions to the authorities. In order to see whether there are any objections, the circumstances will have to be taken into due consideration, and orders should be issued to the Taotai to let a deputy, together with the Shanghai Chih Hsien, inquire into the facts.

With regard to this road, I am not sure in what direction this road lies, which Mr. Seward said is to be constructed; outside of which Settlement it is situated; where it is to begin and where to terminate, how many *mow* of ground it will cover, and whether the people are willing to sell the ground or not, all this will have to be examined.

I have therefore issued instructions to the Sub-Perfect, Chang Chih-Chün, to examine into this, together with the Chih Hsien Mo, and have the honour to request you to depute an official on your part to proceed with the above-named officials to the spot to make a drawing of the road. I also hope you will be kind enough to inform the Chairman of the Municipal Council to go with the officials, and to point out to them the place intended.

I have the honour to be, etc.,  
 The Acting Taotai CHU.

For true translation,

(Signed) P. G. VON MÖLLENDORFF.

SHANGHAI, 29th June, 1878.

J. HART, Esq.,  
*Chairman Municipal Council.*

SIR,—Referring to my letter of the 22nd inst., I beg to hand you the enclosed translation of a letter, received yesterday from the Chinese officer Tschang, and regarding the Markham Road.

I should be obliged if in the course of to-day you would kindly answer my letter of the 22nd, indicate in Chinese characters the district (*tu* and *pao* 圖保) in which the new road is to be constructed and order the officer you may appoint to meet the Chinese officials at His German Majesty's Consulate-General on the 1st proximo, at 3 o'clock p.m.

I have the honour to be, Sir,  
 Your obedient Servant,

C. LUEDER,  
*His German Majesty's Consul-General,  
 Senior Consul.*

[Translation.]

SHANGHAI, 28th June, 1878.

To C. LUEDER, Esq.,

*His German Majesty's Consul-General,  
Senior Consul.*

On the 22nd instant, I received orders from the Taotai with regard to the new road, enclosing a copy of the letter of the American Minister, Mr. Seward, to proceed with the Chih-hsien of Shanghai to an examination of the place.

I now propose the 1st of July, at 3 o'clock p.m., to come to your office, together with the Chih-hsien Mo, and thence proceed with the official appointed by you to the place. Before this, however, I beg to ask you for an indication of the district (*tu* and *pao*), in which the new road is situated, in order to summon the tipaos and proprietors of land at the same time.

I have the honour to be, etc.,

TSCHANG TSCHY TSCHUN,

*Of the Foreign Department.*

For true translation,

(Signed)

P. G. VON MÖLLENDORFF.

SHANGHAI, 3rd August, 1878.

J. HART, Esq.,

*Chairman, Municipal Council.*

SIR,—I have the honour to hand you translations of two communications received from the Acting Taotai, dated the 15th and 20th July last, and regarding the extension of the Markham Road. You will have learned that the Shanghai Chih-hsien, in the presence of the deputies of the Consular Body and the Municipal Council, informed, on the 1st July last, the tepaos concerned, that the landowners were at liberty to sell their land for the purpose of having the road constructed.

The Consular Body authorizes me to add, that they are not prepared to sustain the scheme after the impending investigation, unless you show that, as stated in your letter dated the 8th April, 1878, the landowners are willing to sell the land in question.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servant

C. LUEDER,

*His German Majesty's Consul-General,  
Senior Consul.*

SHANGHAI, 15th July, 1878.

To C. LUEDER, Esq.,

*His German Majesty's Consul-General,  
Senior Consul.*

On June 13th, I received a communication from you regarding the Markham Road, in which it was said that at the request of the Municipal Council the question had been referred to the Diplomatic Body at Peking, and that an answer had been received, a copy of which was enclosed, etc.

I then inquired outside of which Settlement this road was to be constructed, where its two ends were to be, how many lots of land were necessary, and whether the proprietors were willing to sell or not. I deputed for that purpose Chang Chih-chün, Sub-Prefect, and Mo, the Chih-hsien of Shanghai, to make the necessary inquiries.

I have now received a detailed report from the Chih-hsien, which states:—"We proceeded together, and the Municipal Surveyor pointed out the place intended for the road. It lies to the North-west of the British Settlement, and starts from the garden of the former Consul Markham, in a westerly direction to the village of Ting-ka-ku, &c. The land lies in the 27th pau, 12th and 13th tu, and in the 28th pau, 8th and 9th tu, and is all cultivated ground. There is no old path leading over it. As the Municipal Council has not yet decided which lots they require, and had not marked the fields with signal poles, we could not proceed further. We, therefore, agreed with Mr. von Möllendorff to appoint the 16th July as the day on which to proceed again, after the marking out of the fields had been concluded.

I have now received a petition from the landed proprietors of the 27th pau, 12th tu south: Hsu Chin-mei, Wu Hsiang-kan, Wu Chien-kon, Wu A-fa, Hsü Chang-

ching ; of the 27th pau, 13 tu : Yan Wan-fang, Haung Hung-yu, Yan Chin-ming, Tsai Ching-chung, Shen An-chan, Ye Che-lung ; of the 28th pau, 8th and 9th tu : Si Ching-chun, Chu Hui-nan, Tang Yan-san, Tang Chie-wen, who pray as follows :—We are all farmers ; formerly when the Municipal Council intended to construct a road, we were all of us unwilling to sell our fields and signed a petition to that effect in November last. The Municipal Council having again advanced their project, a day was appointed for inquiring. We have sown our fields with cotton and cereals, which are now in good condition, and which are the means of our sustenance. Should a road be constructed, the crop would be treaded down and the harvest destroyed. We do not feel inclined to sell our lands, and pray therefore to be protected and ask to be free from having our lands inspected and measured."

Again, I received a petition from the tepao of the 27 th pau 12th tu south, Wang Ching-chang ; from the tepao of the 13th tu, Tang Hsiang-ping, and from the tepao of the 28th pau 8th and 9th tu, Tsan Wen-kuei, who pray :—"As the Municipal Council wish to construct a road, we have inquired of the proprietors of the land. They all have signed a petition, saying that they will not sell their land."

From these petitions it is clear that the tepaos and the proprietors of the land have all expressed their unwillingness to sell their land. As, therefore, it is not necessary to proceed on the 16th July, as first agreed upon, for joint investigation, I request that you will communicate with the proper authorities to abandon the construction of the road, etc. Thus far the report of the Chih-hsien. As the road to be constructed by the Municipal Council is to traverse the fields, their being no old path leading that way, and as all the proprietors of the land in question are unwilling to sell, the fields being sown with cotton and cereals, necessary for their sustenance, as therefore a road leading through these fields is against the wishes of the people, I beg to propose that the intended joint investigation is now no more necessary.

Whilst communicating the above circumstances to you, I request you to inform the Municipal Council of the same, and to advise them in accordance with them to abandon their project in conformity with the people's wishes.

I have the honor to be, etc.,

The Acting Taotai CHU.

For true translation,

(Signed)

P. G. VON MOLLENDORFF.

SHANGHAI, July, 29th, 1878.

C. LUEDER, Esq.,

*His German Majesty's Consul-General,  
Senior Consul.*

SIR,—With regard to the Markham Road, I had the honor to receive your letter, in which you propose that the idea of constructing the road should not be abandoned at the time being, but that the joint investigation should be delayed until the crops have been gathered.

I have no objections to again having the place inspected after the harvest. But although the exact ground for the new road cannot now be determined, still the place has been jointly examined, and as the people have declared their firm intention and as the landowners regard farming as their sustenance of life and have not the intention of taking the price when offered, it will hardly do to force them to sell, if they are opposed to it.

I therefore do not expect much gain by another investigation. I have, however, according to your wish, directed the Chih-hsien to make another investigation after the harvest is gathered, and have the honor to inform you of this.

I have, &c.,

The Acting Taotai CHU.

For true translation,

(Signed)

P. G. VON MOLLENDORFF.

*Seward Road.*—Nothing further has been done towards carrying out this road.

*Opening Roads by Gas Company.*—The Council were some time since informed that great inconvenience was caused to the public and much damage done to the principal thoroughfares, owing to the Gas Company having opened them for the purposes of relaying their mains.

Orders have therefore been given that in future the Gas Company shall not be permitted to open roads for this purpose, except when repairs are being executed, of which due intimation is to be sent to them by the Surveyor, who is also instructed to see that no permission is given to open roads unless when absolutely necessary.

#### BRIDGES.

All the Bridges in the Settlements have been repaired and painted. The Skew Bridge on Bubbling Well Road, near the Lawn requires to be repaired, which will be done when negotiations now in progress are completed, for acquiring from Mr. Wheelock a strip of his land in that neighbourhood, which will allow of the road and bridge being widened and straightened so that those approaching from either side may have a clear view of each other.

#### BUNDINGS.

*Yang-king-pang.*—The Bunding from Fokien to Hupeh Road is now finished, which completes the work along the whole length of the Creek. Part of the stone work having given way between the Szechuen and Kiangsi Roads, it has been replaced by a substantial wooden bunding.

*Hongkew Creek.*—Part of the old Bunding near Seward Road has been replaced, in accordance with the provision made in the Budget. Extensive repairs are required for the Bunding at entrance of the Creek.

*Bubbling Well Road.*—The piles of the bunding of the Creek at the bend of the road having become rotten, it was found necessary to remove them, and make a new bund.

#### FIRE WELLS.

The Fire well at junction of Kiangsi and Canton Roads has been completed, and provision is made in the Budget for 1879 for the construction of another in Hongkew.

#### WATER WORKS.

At the Ratepayers' Meeting on 12th March, the following resolution was carried:—

Proposed by Mr. R. W. Little

Seconded by Mr. W. H. Carter :

Resolution IX.—That the Council be not empowered to accept MESSRS. Laidlaw and Son's tender for the construction of Water Works as detailed in the Municipal Report for the year 1877, or to raise funds by the issue of Debentures in such manner as may be deemed by them most expedient.

#### TREES.

New Trees have been planted in various parts of the settlement, in place of those which it has been found necessary to remove.

The Council have to thank the Garden Committee for the gift of some young locust trees, and they have made arrangements for a supply of ash and other suitable trees from Hang-chow.

The villagers on the outskirts of the settlements having destroyed a great many young trees, the Council addressed the Senior Consul on the subject, and through his good offices, the Native Authorities issued proclamations warning the people against injuring them in future.

The following is the correspondence on the subject:—

SHANGHAI, 8th April, 1878.

To C. LUEDER, Esq.,

*H.I.G.M. Consul-General  
and Senior Member of the Consular Body.*

SIR,—For some time past the Council have received almost daily reports of the trees planted by them on the outskirts of the Settlement having been cut down by the natives, and carried away for firewood, or other purposes.

I have now the honor to address you on the subject, and to beg that you will bring it to the notice of H.E. the Taotai, requesting him to take such steps as will for the future prevent the destruction of trees which are intended to ornament the Settlement and suburbs.

So far as the Council are aware, the trees are destroyed, not only by the villagers in the immediate neighbourhood, but by strangers, and vagrants also, from the boats anchored in the Creeks; they therefore beg that you will impress upon H.E. the Taotai the urgent necessity for a proclamation being issued, ordering the natives to refrain from injuring the trees, and warning the various Tepas that in the event of further damage being done to them, they will be held responsible, and obliged to replace those destroyed.

I further beg to send you inclosed copy of a special report on this subject from the Superintendent of Police, in which he states that the districts where the trees have been most injured are—No. 12 district on the Yangtse-poo Road, and No. 28 district between the Bubbling Well and Jessfield.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

J. HART,  
*Chairman Municipal Council.*

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“SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE FORCE,  
6th April, 1878.

“I would respectfully bring to the notice of the Council that several trees have lately been broken on the carriage roads outside the Foreign Settlements. I might particularly mention two districts where the trees on the roads have been much broken. No. 12 district on the Yangtze-poo Road, and No. 28 district on the Jessfield Road (between the Bubbling Well and Jessfield). I believe that these depredations are committed by persons living near the roads, probably by boys. Now these depredations could be easily prevented by the Tepas of the districts through which the roads pass; and probably, if the Chinese authorities were communicated with in the matter, they would give instructions to the Tepas to prevent trees being broken in the future.

“C. PENFOLD,  
“Superintendent.”

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SHANGHAI, 10th April, 1878.

SIR,—Referring to your letter dated the 8th instant, regarding the destruction of trees planted at the outskirts of the Settlement, I should be obliged if you would inform me where you wish to have the proclamations posted.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

C. LUEDER,

*His German Majesty's Consul-General,  
Senior Consul.*



SHANGHAI, 2nd August, 1878.

C. LUEDER, Esq.,

*His German Majesty's Consul-General,  
and Senior Member of Consular Body, Shanghai.*

SIR,—In reply to your letter of the 10th instant, I beg to say that if you will kindly arrange to have the proclamation from H.E. the Taotai sent to the Municipal Council offices, the Superintendent of Police will have them posted in the different villages, in the neighbourhood of which the trees have been destroyed.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. HART,

*Chairman.*

#### PUBLIC GARDEN.

Upon the application of the Honorary Secretary the Council decided to sanction the expenditure of Tls. 300 in constructing an additional Green House for the protection of the rare plants during the winter.

#### *Report of the Committee of the Shanghai Public Garden.*

SHANGHAI, 16th January, 1879.

To the MUNICIPAL COUNCIL for the

*Settlement North of the Yang-king-pang.*

GENTLEMEN,—The Committee are happy to state that the Garden continues in a satisfactory condition, and that the plants and shrubs are flourishing.

The Council having authorized the expenditure of Tls. 300 for the purpose, in response to the request of the Committee a new Green-house has been built in the Reserve Garden, to provide shelter for the constantly increasing stock of tender plants, for the protection of which the old accommodation was insufficient.

The community are indebted to Messrs. Gebroeders Boyvoets, of Overveen Haarlem, for a handsome present of Tulips, and to Mr. Maries and Captain Vaughan for many additions to their stock of Plants and Ferns.

The Gardening plant is in fair repair, and the Committee hope that in the coming season, the garden will not be behind former years in its attractions.

The estimate for the ensuing year is on a par with that of the preceding, and the Committee will be glad if the Council will provide for an expenditure of Tls. 1,000. There are no extraordinary expenses in view, but the bulbs which add so much to the gaiety of the Spring show are getting exhausted and must be replenished; and sundry alterations, which are in progress, will add somewhat to our present monthly expenses.

The outlay by the Committee for the past year is shown by the appended statements.

The present Committee are Messrs. Davenport, Rothwell, J. Love Jr., J. Welch and Geo. Corner, who are willing to continue if re-elected.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

for the Committee,

GEO. R. CORNER.

*Honorary Secretary.*

*Shanghai Public Garden Expenditure for 1878.*

Wages and Sundries .....	\$645.82 @ 73	Tls. 471.45
Plants, Seeds &c.....		Tls. 50.42
	28.25 @ 73	20.62
		71.04
Painting and Repairs .....	55.00	40.15
Plant Greenhouse .....		300.00
Awnings .....		37.00
Pots, &c. ....	12.00	8.76
		345.76
		Tls. 928.40

CEMETERIES.

Pootung Cemetery. The Jetty and Mortuary Chapel have been repaired, at a cost of Tls. 290 and the Trustees have been informed that the Council expect them to repay the amount whenever they are able to do so.

# SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

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SHANGHAI, *1st January, 1879.*

TO THE WORKS' COMMITTEE.

GENTLEMEN,—I have the honour to lay before you a synopsis of the various works undertaken during the year ended December 31st, 1878.

BRIDGES.—The iron bridges across the Yang-king-pang at the end of the Yangtze, Honan and Shantung Roads, as well as the one across the Hongkew Creek, have been re-painted. The wooden bridges at the end of the Szechuen, Kiangse, Fuhkien and Yunan Roads over the Yang-king-pang, also those over the Soochow and Defence Creeks, have been repaired and re-painted. The bridges at the end of Pekin Road, over the Defence Creek and the Yang-king-pang, at the end of Fuhkien Road have been widened and strengthened, and iron railings fixed in place of the old wooden ones.

BUILDINGS.—A small magazine for storing ammunition has been erected in the Central Police Station Yard, in place of the old one, which was found to be too small for its purpose; also a small house at the Chip Yard, Defence Road, near the Soochow Creek, for storing tools, &c.

The various Municipal buildings have been repaired and painted as required.

BUNDINGS.—A stone bunding has been built to the mouth of the Yang-king-pang from the iron bridge to the jetty in front of Messrs. H. Fogg & Co.'s premises, and a hard wood one from the Szechuen Road to the premises known as Oxford & Co.'s; in place of the old stone wall which had sunk. The portion between the Fuhkien and Chekiang Roads is now being done and is nearly completed.

The Hongkew Creek from the Seward Road to the existing bunding, to continue the Fearon Road, and the end of the Kee-cheong Road have also been done.

Repairs have been made to various bundings as required from time to time.

CEMETERIES.—The New, Pootung, Shantung Road, and Soldiers', outside North City gate, Cemeteries have been kept in repair.

The jetty to the Pootung Cemetery has been thoroughly repaired and replanked.

The Cathedral Compound, paths, &c., have been kept in good order. The table below shows the burials in the New and Footing Cemeteries from 1st January to 31st December, 1878; as compared with former years:—

	1ST QUARTER. <i>Jan., Feb. &amp; Mar.</i>					2ND QUARTER. <i>Apr., May &amp; June.</i>					3RD QUARTER <i>July, Aug., &amp; Sep.</i>					4TH QUARTER. <i>Oct., Nov. &amp; Dec.</i>					Grand Total.
	Men.	Women.	Children.		Totals.	Men.	Women.	Children.		Totals.	Men.	Women.	Children.		Totals.	Men.	Women.	Children.		Totals.	
			Male.	Female.				Male.	Female.				Male.	Female.				Male.	Female.		
1874	9	1	2	—	12	3	—	3	—	6	14	5	1	4	24	10	—	3	1	14	56
1875	5	2	3	—	10	6	1	—	—	7	10	—	1	1	12	14	2	1	—	17	46
1876	7	—	1	3	11	12	—	1	1	14	18	2	1	1	22	14	1	2	—	17	64
1877	15	—	1	—	16	12	—	—	1	13	25	1	2	2	30	18	3	3	1	25	84
1878	14	1	—	—	15	13	2	2	1	18	29	1	2	5	37	18	4	4	—	26	96

CREEKS.—The Yang-king-pang has been deepened and cleaned from the Whangpoo to the Defence Creek ; and the wooden dam in the Defence Creek, near Probst's Garden, removed.

DRAINAGE.—The Honan Road drain near Pekin Road, was temporarily repaired during the Summer months (a sum has been included in the budget to extend this drain by a wooden box to the Soochow Creek, where the old box has sunk.)

The Chaou-foong Road drain has been extended by a box to low water line.

A new drain has been built in the Nankin Road from Fuhkien to Kwangse Road ; and in Chekiang Road, from Foochow to Hankow Road.

Drain pipes have been laid in the Hankow Road, from near Hoopoh to Upper Kwangse Road.

The following drains have been cleaned :—

Shantung Road, from Nankin to Foochow Road.

Hankow Road, near Hoopoh Road, west.

Tiendong Road, west of Chapoo Road, and sinks built.

The drains on the Yang-king-pang have been extended through the new bundings, and the mouths of the main drains repaired as required.

Extra sinks have been built, and repairs &c. made in various roads where necessary.

The following Schedules shew where brick and pipe drains have been laid, with the sizes, falls, &c.

## BRICK

Settlement.	Road.	Portion.	Length in Feet.	Size.	Shape.
English	Nankin	From Fuhkien to Upper Kwangse Road..	1232. 0.	2.3 × 1.6	Egg.
"	Chekiang	From Foochow to Hankow Road .....	573. 0.	2.3 × 1.6	"

## PIPE

Settlement.	Road.	Portion.	Length in Feet.			
			12 in.	9 in.	6 in.	4 in.
English ....	Hankow .....	Between Hoopoh and Kwangse Roads ....	404.0.	238.0.	250.0.	—
" ....	Lock Hospital	Between Foochow and Canton Roads ....	4.0.	—	144.0.	—
" ....	Nankin .....	Near Yangtze Road.....	—	—	24.0.	—
" ....	Shantung ...	Corner of Nankin Road .....	—	—	42.0.	—
" ....	Soochow .....	Near Honan Road.....	20.0.	—	—	—
" ....	Yangtze.....	Near Hankow Road jetty.....	20.0.	—	—	—
" ....	Yangtze.....	Near Kiukiang Road jetty .....	48.0.	—	—	—
" ....	Ying-wo-ka ...	From Nankin to Tientsin Road .....	—	258.0.	64.0.	8.0.
Hongkew ..	Astor .....	Corner of Whangpoo Road .....	—	—	20.0.	—
" ....	Boone .....	From Boone Road to a Creek.....	—	—	—	70.0.
" ....	Broadway ...	Between Yuenfong and Chaoufoong Roads	—	—	32.0.	—
" ....	Kungping ...	Between Broadway and Whangpoo River..	—	—	80.0.	—
" ....	Minghong ....	From Miller towards Woosung Road ....	120.0.	—	—	—
" ....	North Yangtze	Corner of Minghong Road .....	—	62.0.	40.0.	—
" ....	Rifle Range ...	Between Woosung Road and Rifle Butts..	—	—	—	200.0.
" ....	Tiendong ....	From Astor towards Whangpoo Road .....	—	234.0.	70.0.	—
" ....	Woosung .....	Near the Garden Villas .....	—	124.0.	40.0.	—
Outside Roads	Bubbling Well..	In Front of Joss House .....	—	—	—	68.0.
" ....	Jessfield .....	Near first Bridge .....	—	34.0.	46.0.	—
" ....	Siccanway.....	Near the Hermitage .....	36.0.	—	—	—

## DRAINS.

Average Gradient.	Where Discharged.	Number of			Cost Tael.	Plan.
		Sinks.	Cesspls.	M.-holes.		
1 in 480	Fuhkien Road Sewer .....	15	..	7	1,890.43	D. 42
1 in 600	Yang-king-pang .....	8	..	3	828.67	D. 43

## DRAINS.

Average Gradient.	Sinks.	Where Discharged	Cost Tael.	Plan.
1 in 240 to 480	19	Hoopeh Road Drain .....	378.00	D. 30.
"	..	Foochow Road Drain .....	30.40	"
"	..	Nankin Road Drain .....	4.80	"
"	..	Shantung Road Drain .....	8.40	"
"	1	Soochow Creek .....	8.00	"
"	..	Whangpoo River .....	8.00	"
"	..	" " .....	19.20	"
"	6	Nankin Road Drain .....	120.20	"
"	1	Astor Road Drain .....	9.00	"
"	..	Creek .....	10.50	"
"	1	Broadway Drain .....	11.40	"
"	6	Whangpoo River .....	46.00	"
"	..	Minghong Road Drain .....	48.00	"
"	2	Whangpoo River .....	36.60	"
"	..	Ditch .....	30.00	"
"	5	Astor Road Drain .....	109.20	"
"	2	Woosung Road Drain .....	55.20	"
"	..	Ditch .....	10.20	—
"	"	" .....	19.40	—
"	"	" .....	14.40	—



**FIRE-WELLS.**—A ten chamber fire-well has been built in the Kiangse Road, between Canton and Siking Roads, for the Fire Department.

The various fire-wells have been kept in order.

**LAMPS.**—Brackets have been substituted for pillars where practicable.

Three extra pillars have been erected, and the positions of the old ones altered on the Bubbling Well Road, between the Nankin Road bridge and the Cross Road, to improve the lighting.

**LANDING ACCOMMODATION.**—A new iron pontoon has been placed at the end of the Canton Road.

New bridges have been put to the pontoons in front of the Hankow Road; P. & O. S. N. Co.'s and Messrs. Russell & Co.'s premises.

The iron pontoons at the end of Pekin, Kiukiang, Foochow and Canton Roads have been re-painted.

Repairs have been made to the existing wooden pontoons and stages in both Settlements. (A sum has been allowed in the budget for the purpose of repairing some of the old pontoons and stages which are very rotten).

**LATRINES AND URINALS.**—A small urinal has been erected at the corner of North Szechuen and Tiendong Roads.

**PUBLIC GARDEN.**—The pavilion, walls, gates, seats, &c., have been repaired and repainted, and the paths and slope kept in good condition.

**RIFLE BUTTS.**—A new flagstaff has been erected in place of the old one; drain pipes laid across the Range in various places, and portions of the Range bricked and sanded. Repairs were made to the iron targets and Marker's house as required.

#### ROADS.

The following roads have been metalled; bricked and sanded; chip paved; curbed and side-channelled.

#### *Metalled.*

*Astor*,—From Broadway to Whangpoo Road.

*Broadway*,—From Whangpoo to Seward Road.

*Canton*,—From Szechuen to Honan Road.

*Foochow*,—From Kiangse to Shantung Road.

*Foochow*,—From Hoopoh to Kwangse Road.

*Hankow*,—From Szechuen to Kiangse Road.

*Hankow*,—From Hoopoh to Kwangse Road.

*Honan*,—From Nankin to Canton Road.

*Kiangse*,—From Siking to Canton Road.

*Metalled—Continued.*

- Kiukiang*,—From Yangtsze to Shantung Road.  
*Kung-ping*,—From Broadway to River.  
*Lloyd*,—From Nankin to Chefoo Road.  
*Miller*,—From Boone to Woochang Road.  
*Nankin*,—From Honan to Hoopch Road.  
*Seward*,—From Broadway to Nanzing Road.  
*Sungkiang*,—From Szechuen to Kiangse Road.  
*Szechuen*,—From Kiukiang to Nankin Road.  
*Tiendong*,—From Chapoo to North Szechuen Road.  
*Tientsin*,—From Kiangse to Honan Road.  
*Whangpoo*,—From Astor to Woochang Road.  
*Woosung*,—From Minghong Road to Rifle Range.  
*Yunan*,—From Nankin to Kiukiang Road.

*Bricked and Sanded :*

- Boone*,—West of Woosung Road.  
*Chekiang*,—From Foochow to Hankow Road.  
*Hanbury*,—From Woosung Road to Hongkew Creek.  
*Keecheong*,—Near Whangpoo River.  
*Kwangse*,—From Hankow to Foochow Road.  
*Tiendong*,—From Whangpoo to Astor Road.  
*Yunan*,—From Sungkiang to Hoopch Road.

*Chip-paved :*

- Chekiang*,—From Nankin to Kiukiang Road.  
*Hankow*,—From Hoopch to Shantung Road.  
*Hoopch, Footpaths*,—From Nankin to Hankow Road.  
*Kiukiang*,—From Hoopch Road to Ying-wo-ka.  
*Kiukiang*,—From Fuhkien to Shantung Road.  
*Miller*,—From Tiendong to Woochang Road.  
*Shantung*,—From Peking to Ningpò Road.  
*Shantung*,—From Nankin to Hankow Road.  
*Tiendong*,—From Woosung to Broadway.  
*Ying-wo-ka*,—From Nankin to Kiukiang Road.  
*Broadway*,—From Kung-ping to Dent Road.  
*Hankow*,—North side between Shanse and Shantung Roads.  
*Lock Hospital*,—Between Foochow and Canton Roads.  
*Miller*,—From Tiendong to Woochang Road.

*Curbed and Side-Channelled:*

*Seward*,—From Broadway to Nanzing Road.

*Tiendong*,—From Woosung Road to Broadway.

*Whangpoo*,—From Astor to Woosung Road.

*Woosung*,—From near Garden Villas.

*Ying-wo-ka*,—From North of Nankin Road.

*Yangtze*,—Near No. 1 bridge Yang-king-pang, east side.

The roads, curbs and side-channels, and chip paving have been kept in repair.

The following have been widened:—

*Canton*, —Between Szechuen and Kiangse Roads, north side, from Messrs. Cushney and McCulloch's properties.

*Canton*, —Near Yangtze Road, south side, Messrs. Adamson, Bell & Co.'s gate piers have been set back.

*Foochow*,—North side and corner of Yangtze Road, property of Messrs. Brand Brothers & Co.

*Foochow*,—Between Yangtze and Szechuen Roads, south side, property of Messrs. Russell & Co.

*Foochow*,—Between Kiangse and Honan Roads, south side, Messrs. David Sassoon, Sons & Co.'s property.

*Hankow*,—Between Szechuen and Kiangse Roads, north side, from Messrs. Reiss & Co.'s and China Merchants S. N. Co.'s properties.

*Hankow*,—At corner of Honan Road, south side, property of R. F. O. Major, Esq.

*Hankow*,—N.E. corner of Szechuen Road, rounded, from Messrs. Maitland & Co.'s property.

*Honan*,—Corner of Hankow Road, east side, property of R. F. O. Major, Esq.

*Nankin*,—Corner of Yangtze Road, north side, Messrs. Augustine Heard & Co.'s late premises.

*Nankin*,—Between Honan and Kiangse Roads, south side, estate of the late C. S. Compton.

*Szechuen*,—Corner of Hankow Road, west side, Messrs. Reiss & Co.'s premises.

*Szechuen*,—Between Nankin and Ningpo Roads, west side, Messrs. Little & Co.'s premises.

Trees have been planted in various roads.

The table below shews that no progress has been made in the extension, &c., of Roads, named in pages 66 and 67 of report 1877:—

2. The Taiwan Road, east to Shansi Road.	Not yet arranged, opportunity not offering.
3. Continuing Amoy Road in an easterly direction to join the Fuhkien Road.	Nothing farther has been done.
4. Widening Kiukiang Road, between Hoopeh and Fuhkien Roads.	Not yet arranged, opportunity not offering.
5. Widening and connecting Woosieh Road, with the Shansi and Fuhkien Roads.	ditto.
6. Connecting the Loong-zee-yuen Alley, from Nankin to Taiwan Road.	ditto.
7. Continuing the Yang-tsze-poo Road.	Nothing further has been done.
8. Road to define boundaries of Hongkew.	ditto.
9. Widening Ningpo Road to 30 feet, between Shansi and Fuhkien Roads.	ditto.
10. Extension of Shantung Road from Nankin to Ningpo Road.	Not yet arranged, opportunity not offering.
11. Widening Ningpo Road to Defence Creek.	ditto.
12. Yunan Road forming from Amoy to Ningpo Road.	ditto.
14. To widen Foochow Road west of Hoopeh Road.	Nothing further has been done.
15. Road running parallel to and between Fuhkien and Shansi Roads, from Soochow Creek to Nankin Road.	ditto.
16. Seward Road and two other roads parallel to Broadway from Hongkew Creek to Dent Road.	ditto.
17. To continue in the northerly direction to Seward Road; the Taiping, Keecheong, Yuen-fong Chaou-fong and two other Roads.	Not yet arranged, pending the completion of the Seward Road, before action is taken.

OUTSIDE ROADS.—The north side of the Bubbling Well Road, from the Nankin Road bridge to the Grand Stand, has been metalled. A new bunding erected at the Bend, in place of the old one which had become rotten. A small piece of bunding has also been put near Oliver's Bungalow, to\* protect the road from being washed away by the creek.

A large brick culvert has been built near the Bubbling Well, in place of the first bridge on the Siccaway Road. A small portion of the Siccaway Road, from the new culvert has been bricked and sanded in the centre.

The Markham Road, from Batt's Bungalow to the jetty in front of Trefancha, has been bunded; a piece of land near the Creek, bought for the purpose of a carriage turn, filled in, and the centre of the road is being bricked and sanded to Alpha Farm.

Drain pipes have been laid in place of rotten boxes on the Bubbling Well, Siccaway, and Jessfield Roads, and repairs made to the culverts, bundings, seats and railings as required.

Trees have been planted on the Bubbling Well, Sinza, Cross and Markham Roads, in place of those destroyed and dead.

The outside roads have been repaired and metalled as required.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

C. B. CLARK.

*Surveyor to the Council.*

To

E. G. LOW, Esq.,

ROBERT MACKENZIE, Esq.,

GEORGE WITHERS, Esq.

# GENERAL.

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## LAND REGISTRATION AND BUILDING REGULATIONS.

At the Ratepayers' meeting held on 12th March last, the following resolution was passed :—

Proposed by W. H. Carter, Esq., and seconded by R. W. Little, Esq.

*Resolution X.*—That a Committee, consisting of seven Landrenters (to be selected by the Municipal Council) be appointed to take into consideration the existing rules for the registration and transfer of Land at this Port, and the recommendations of the General Land Assessment Committee of 1869, to draw up a report as to how far the existing rules should be modified in accordance with the recommendations of 1869 aforesaid—and generally to make any suggestions that the Committee may deem advisable. Further, that the said Committee shall draft Bye-laws in accordance with their report, and place the same in the hands of the Municipal Council as soon as possible. And that the Municipal Council shall submit the report and proposed Bye-laws to a special meeting of Ratepayers to be held not later than 15th of May next.

Circulars were sent round to the Land Renters, in order to ascertain who would consent to serve, and Messrs. J. Bell-Irving, J. Buchanan, J. M. Cory, F. B. Forbes, F. A. Groom, H. Lester, and A. McLeod having expressed their willingness to do so, they were appointed a Committee to consider the existing rules for the Registration of Land, and requested at the same time to take into consideration the regulations for native buildings recommended by the Committee of 1877, and to draw up such rules as they thought likely to meet with the approval of the Ratepayers.

A very able report having been drawn up by these gentlemen, it was printed and circulated amongst the Ratepayers, and a special meeting was summoned for 15th May, to consider it, but as only 76 votes were represented, whilst 129 are required to form a quorum, it was found necessary to adjourn the meeting, and nothing has since been done.

## STUD.

A new contract has been made with Messrs. Sewjee and Symons for supplying the Council with Mules, Ponies, etc., for Municipal work for three years.

*Removal of Garbage and Sale of Night-soil.*—The old contracts having expired, they have been renewed for a further term of two years.

## GENERAL HOSPITAL.

*Draft Trust Deed* has been submitted to the Council and with a slight alteration approved.

## MUNICIPAL STAFF.

*Secretariat*.—Mr. R. F. Thorburn has been appointed Secretary.

*Agreements* have been renewed with the following officers :—

Mr. J. A. POND, Accountant,

Mr. J. McMILLAN, Local Postmaster,

Mr. JOHN HOWES, Inspector of Nuisances, Markets,  
and Livery Stables.

Mr. J. BECKOFF, Overseer of Roads.

Mr. G. M. Hart has returned from 9 months' leave of absence.

Messrs. C. B. Clark, Surveyor, and S. Reynell, have been granted 9 months' leave. Mr. H. Lester has been appointed Acting Surveyor during Mr. Clark's absence.

Mr. C. H. Suits, Assistant Overseer of Roads, has left the service.

*Legal Adviser*.—Mr. R. T. Rennie having resigned the post of Legal Adviser to the Municipality, consequent upon his departure from Shanghai, Mr. N. J. Hannen has been appointed in his place.

*Officer of Health, &c.*—Dr. Henderson has been granted leave of absence, for 9 months from 1st November. During his absence Dr. Macleod has been appointed to act as Health Officer and Municipal Surgeon, and Dr. Zachariae as Surgeon to the Lock Hospital.

*Gratuity to widow of late Tax-Collector*.—In consideration of the long and faithful services of the late Mr. Rogers as Tax-Collector, his widow has been granted a gratuity of taels five hundred.

J. HART, *Chairman*.

R. H. ARTINDALE.

G. J. W. COWIE.

P. G. HÜBBE.

E. H. LAVERS.

E. G. LOW.

R. MACKENZIE.

J. H. WISNER.

G. WITHERS.

R. F. THORBURN,  
*Secretary*.

COUNCIL ROOM,

17, Kiangse Road, Shanghai, 17th February, 1879.



# REPORT OF THE FIRE COMMISSION

*For the year 1878.*

The Fire Commission submit the following report of the proceedings of the Fire Department during the past year:—

## OFFICERS.

The officers elected for the year 1878 were:—

C. J. ASHLEY.....	Chief Engineer.
J. H. VAIL.....	First District Engineer.
B. A. CLARKE.....	Second do.
A. CHARRIER.....	Third do.

## FIRES.

A list of the fires, which have occurred during the year, is appended.

The Community are again indebted to the officers and men of the various men-of-war in port during the year, for much valuable assistance at fires.

The Fire Commission have to thank Mr. Hanbury for a liberal donation of Tls. 100, forwarded to them by the Municipal Council, in recognition of the valuable services rendered by the Fire Brigade at the fire which took place on his property, in the Woosung Road, on 7th August last.

## FIRE WELLS.

The Commission have pleasure in recording the construction by the Municipal Council during the past year of the much needed fire well at the junction of the Kiangse and Canton Roads, and further that provision is made in their Budget for 1879, for one in Hongkew, when the proper locality is decided upon.

While on this subject it may not be amiss to mention that the Fire Commission are endeavouring by other means to improve the water supply in case of fires.

## PLANT.

In framing their Budget for 1878, the Commission only allowed a sum of Tls. 750 under this heading. Unfortunately the leather hose in stock has deteriorated so rapidly that the Board were obliged, at the urgent representations of the Chief Engineer, to take immediate measures to replace some of it. Fifteen hundred feet of rubber hose have been therefore ordered from America, and are shortly expected to

arrive, together with two hose carts &c., &c., A new set of fire bars for No. 2 Engine, two small pumps, nozzles, etc. have been procured from England. The cost of this new plant having very considerably exceeded the funds at their disposal, the Municipal Council consented to an application from the Commission to draw the Tls. 850 unexpended balance of last year's appropriation.

The remainder of the leather hose in stock being quite unreliable, the Commission purpose replacing it as far as possible during the current year with rubber material, and have therefore included in their Estimates for 1879 an amount of Tls. 800 for Plant.

#### ACCOUNTS.

Statement of accounts is appended showing a balance owing by the Department of Tls. 439.82 which is explained above. The Working Account shews a saving on the Budget Estimate.

# SHANGHAI FIRE DEPARTMENT.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT for the Year ending 31st December, 1878.

RECEIPTS.	Tls.	cts.	Tls.	cts.	EXPENDITURE.	Tls.	cts.	Tls.	cts.
Balance on 1st January in Hongkong and Shanghai Bank ... ..	1,010	54			Salaries—Secretary ... ..	150	00		
In Compradore's hands ... ..	62	08			Department Engineer... ..	1,980	00		
			1,072	62	Native Staff—				
Native Guilds, Subscriptions for current year ... ..			1,419	00	Engineers, firemen & watchmen ... ..	1,848	40		
Agents "Victoria" Fire Engine—Contribution for current year ... ..			1,182	00	Blacksmiths, Striker and assistants in shop ... ..	581	07		
Subscription from Taotai for current year ... ..			400	00				4,559	47
French Municipal Council appropriation			1,000	00	Rent—Houses in Honan Road for "Deluge" coolies ... ..			152	09
Shanghai Municipal Council appropriation	2,000	00			Clothing painting helmets, &c., &c. ... ..			76	82
Extra ... ..	850	00			Coal and Oil, Fuel and light... ..			366	12
			2,850	00	Repairs and Appurtenances... ..			381	13
Blacksmith's work done for Municipality			595	20	Coolie hire at fires and practice ... ..			275	02
Sale of Hose ... ..			336	50	Material for Blacksmith ... ..			478	86
Donation by Mr. Hanbury ... ..			100	00	Printing, stationery and advertising ... ..			122	51
Interest on current account with Hongkong and Shanghai Bank ... ..			10	55	Taxes ... ..			11	14
Balance—Due Hongkong & Shanghai Bank ... ..	613	02			Replacing Electric alarm ... ..			10	00
Less in Compradore's hand ... ..	173	70			Sundries ... ..			267	72
			439	32	Plant—Pumps, nozzles, fire bars, from England, and hose and carts to arrive from America ... ..			2,709	31
Taels. ... ..			9,405	19					

## CONTRIBUTIONS FROM HOME INSURANCE OFFICES.

At the last meeting held by the Fire Commission it was unanimously resolved by the Board to make an appeal, through the respective Agents in Shanghai, to the various Home Insurance Offices doing business here, for some annual contribution towards the expenses of the Fire Department, at same time forwarding to them a copy of the present Report. Up to the present time the whole burden of the expenditure necessary to keep the Brigade in a state of efficiency, has been borne by the Ratepayers of the two Settlements, the native Guilds, and the two local Insurance Companies, with a certain subscription from the Taotai; the Home Insurance Offices having declined to co-operate in maintaining the service.

The Agents of the various offices represented here must be aware of the value of the Department and that the effective and conscientious discharge of duties freely undertaken has been a first consideration with every member of the organization. The Fire Commission therefore, feel it a duty devolving on them, to urge the re-consideration of this subject upon the Home offices, and to point out to them that they can best show their appreciation of the services rendered by the Fire Brigade during the past year, by a liberal subscription to the Fire Department.

It is not the intention of the Fire Commission in the present report to review in detail the many fires at which the Brigade have assisted during the past few years. The facts are indubitable and on record, and were they needed to establish the claim of the Department to the consideration of the Home Insurance offices, it would be easy to produce a long account of services of this nature and to vindicate their position. Suffice it therefore to add, that since the official date of this report, at a fire which consumed the business premises at No. 24 Szechuen Road it was entirely due to the exertions of the Fire Brigade that a certain Insurance Company was saved from heavy loss: merchandize (tea) insured to the extent of Tls. 38,000, being stored in a godown not ten feet distant from the burning mass, and which must otherwise have been destroyed. The Fire Commission merely cite this case, (the last,) as an instance among many, and in support of their position in making this appeal. The late calamitous fire in Hongkong is, on the other hand, an instance of what might any day occur in this settlement, but for the energy and efficiency of the Shanghai Fire Department, and the Commission feel assured that with a knowledge of the above facts before them the Home Offices will be induced to contribute towards the maintenance of an organization that has undoubtedly rendered them valuable services in the past.

## ESTIMATE FOR 1879.

The Commission estimates the Receipts and Expenditure for the coming year as under :—

## RECEIPTS.

Native Guilds ... ..	Tls. 1,500.00
Agents "Victoria" Fire Engine ... ..	„ 1,182.00
The Taotai ... ..	„ 400.00
French Municipality ... ..	„ 1,500.00
Shanghai Municipality ... ..	„ 3,000.00
Work for Shanghai Municipality ... ..	„ 500.00
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	Tls. 8,082.00

## EXPENDITURE.

*Working Account—*

Balance owing by Department ... ..	Tls. 439.32
Salaries ... ..	„ 4,560.00
Rent ... ..	„ 25.00
Clothing, &c. ... ..	„ 350.00
Fuel and light—Coal and Oil ... ..	„ 350.00
Repairs and Appurtenances ... ..	„ 400.00
Coolie hire at Fires and Practice ... ..	„ 300.00
Material for Blacksmith ... ..	„ 450.00
Printing, Stationery and Advertizing ... ..	„ 100.00
Taxes and Sundries ... ..	„ 307.68
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	Tls. 7,282.00

*Plant—*

New Hose, Hose Carts, Hose Reels, &c. ... ..	„ 800.00
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	Tls. 8,082.00

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SHANGHAI, 20th February, 1879.

## FIRE RECORD, 1878.

DATE.	HOUR.	LOCALITY OF FIRE.	REMARKS.
Jan. 10	1.30 A.M.	116 G. Woosung Road, Hongkew.	Observed by Constable on the beat. The inmates called and the fire put out with water. Little damage done. No alarm given.
" 18	10.30 P.M.	882, Broadway.	Extinguished by the Police and inmates. No alarm given.
" 24	1.30 A.M.	Yangtze Road.	One of the rooms on fire. No alarm given. Fire caused by coals falling from a grate and put out by the Police with extincteurs.
Feb. 4	7 A.M.	Laou Ke-Cheong.	Put out by extincteurs. No alarm given. Not much damage done.
Apr. 22	4.20 A.M.	6, Sunkiang Road.	Cook-house on fire; inmates called and the fire extinguished with water. Not much damage done. No alarm given. Fire caused by some wood being placed near the stove.
May. 1	11.15 P.M.	Rue du Consulat.	The fire occurred in an alley. General alarm given and fire extinguished by the Fire Brigade.
" 12	9.30 P.M.	315, Shantung Road.	Some straw was seen by the Constable on the beat to be on fire. He called the inmates and the fire was put out with water. No alarm given.
" 14	12.30 A.M.	8, Soochow Road.	Extinguished by the Police on the beat, with assistance of a watchman. Alarm given.
June. 16	10.45 P.M.	Kiukiang Road.	The fire broke out in an upstairs room at the Chartered Mercantile Bank. General alarm given. Extinguished by the Fire Brigade.
July 19	12 P.M.	Horse Bazaar.	The fire broke out in some houses filled with straw. General alarm given. Extinguished by pulling down the adjoining houses. Six houses burnt and three partially pulled down.
" 24	4.40 P.M.	Rue de Consulat.	General alarm given. Fire extinguished by the Fire Brigade. Three houses burnt and two or three damaged. Caused by letting off fireworks.
" 27	3.25 A.M.	Sunkiang Road.	A bed curtain caught fire, but was extinguished before much damage was done. It was caused by a woman smoking.
Aug. 6	10 P.M.	Chefoo Road.	A large straw stack caught fire. General alarm given and the Brigade attended, the fire burnt out. Supposed to have been set on fire.
" 9	1.30 A.M.	Hongkew village.	Extinguished by extincteurs. One house burnt.
" 10	2.55	Fuhkien Rd. Bridge.	General alarm given. Fire extinguished by the Brigade. Three small houses burnt. Supposed to have been caused by smoking among straw in one of the houses.

FIRE RECORD, 1878.—*Continued.*

DATE.	HOUR.	LOCALITY OF FIRE.	REMARKS.
Aug. 16	9 P.M.	Chefoo Road.	The fire broke out in a stack of straw near the Chefoo Road, which set fire to three small houses containing straw. Put out by extincteurs and water. No alarm given.
„ 16	10.25 P.M.	Woosung and Tien-dong Roads.	General alarm given. Extinguished by the Fire Brigade. 37 houses destroyed.
Sept. 5	8 P.M.	12, Kiangse Road.	An alarm was given and the fire extinguished by the Police and inmates. Bedding and woodwork burnt. Supposed to have been set on fire by some persons throwing fire through a window on the bed.
„ 12	8 P.M.	12, Kiangse Road.	Put out by the inmates before much harm was done. No alarm given. Supposed to have been set on fire by some persons throwing fire through the windows.
„ 14	8.5 P.M.	Woosung Road.	Extinguished by the Police and neighbours. Little damage done. Alarm given.
Oct. 8	9 A.M.	Woochang Road.	Alarm given. Extinguished by the Police and neighbours.
Nov. 10	11 A.M.	French Concession.	Three houses burnt. Put out by the Brigade.
„ 21	9.5 P.M.	Railway Station.	One female burnt and one house destroyed. Put out by the Brigade.
„ 22	4.30 A.M.	Hankow and Foo-chow Roads.	Supposed to have been caused by a lamp setting fire to a bed curtain.
„ 28	3.30 A.M.	Hongkew Foundry.	Extinguished by the Police and neighbours. Very little damage done. Alarm given.
Dec. 5	12.5 P.M.	Woosung Road.	Extinguished by the Brigade. 28 houses destroyed.







# DETAILED MUNICIPAL

1st January, 1878, to

REVENUE.	To 31st Dec. 1877.	To 31st Dec. 1878.	TOTAL.
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
<i>Foreign—</i>			
LAND TAX—3/10ths of one per cent. on assessed value of land registered in the various Consulates in the names of foreigners—assessment of 1875-76—from 1st January to 31st December, 1878 ... ..	.....	20,151.52	
Outstanding on 31st December, 1877, since received ... ..	323.98		
			20,475.50
<i>General Municipal Rate—Foreign—</i>			
6 per cent. on assessed rentals of foreign houses ... ..	.....	26,349.86	
Outstanding on 31st December, 1877, since received ... ..	13.50		
			26,363.36
<i>General Municipal Rate—Native—</i>			
8 per cent. on assessed rentals of Chinese houses ... ..	.....	.....	50,851.52
<i>Dues on Merchandise—</i>			
From Public during the year ... ..	.....	61,192.13	
Outstanding on 31st December, 1878, and considered recoverable ... ..	.....	5,172.20	
From the Taoutai—\$14,000 realised at various rates ... ..	.....	10,197.25	
Outstanding on 31st December, 1877, since collected ... ..	6,889.20	.....	
			83,450.78
<b>LICENSE FEES.</b>			
<i>Foreign—</i>			
Wine and spirit retailers ... .. 1,793.00			
Billiard and bowling saloons ... .. 260.08			
	.....	2,053.08	
<i>Foreign &amp; Native—</i>			
Theatre and Concert ... .. 506.22			
Livery stable-keepers ... .. 1,679.04			
Cargo-boats ... .. 4,912.10			
	.....	7,097.36	
<i>Native</i>			
Sellers of foreign liquors ... .. 1,388.16			
Sampanas ... .. 965.76			
Pawn-shops ... .. 3,038.88			
Opium-shops ... .. 11,796.12			
Wheelbarrows ... .. 4,336.22			
Wine-shops ... .. 1,475.72			
Jin-rik-shas ... .. 6,707.98			
	.....	29,708.84	
			38,859.28
<b>NIGHT-SOIL.</b>			
Sale of night-soil ... ..	.....	.....	1,799.26
Carried forward.....Tls.	7,226.68	.....	221,799.70

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## STATEMENT.

## FINANCE.

31st December, 1878.

DISBURSEMENTS.		Incurred by Council 1877.		Incurred 1st January to 31st Dec. 1878.		TOTAL BALANCE per General Ledger.	
		Tls.	cts.	Tls.	cts.	Tls.	cts.
POLICE FORCE.							
Pay—							
Foreigners ... ..		.....		25,299.76			
Natives ... ..		.....		12,902.93			
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				38,202.69			
Deduct—							
For men employed on special service, collec- tion of taxes, &c. ... ..		.....		2,778.97			
				<hr/>		35,423.72	
Medical Aid—							
Medicines... ..		.....		232.00			
Hospital Charges ... ..		.....		48.09			
				<hr/>		280.09	
Rent—							
Hongkew Station ... ..		.....		1,500.00			
" Native constables' quarters... ..		.....		87.11			
Louza Station ... ..		.....		331.74			
Chinese Government ground tax... ..		.....		15.90			
				<hr/>		1,934.75	
Insurance—							
On Central Station... ..		.....		.....		147.62	
Passage Money—							
Amount transferred to "Police Passage Fund" for men entitled to passages home in terms of agreement... ..		.....		.....		600.00	
Clothing—							
For the whole force ... ..		.....		.....		3,393.95	
Incidental Charges—							
Coolie and sampan hire for carrying sick and drunken men ... ..		.....		87.85			
Food for prisoners ... ..		.....		1,243.27			
Wages of shroff, messengers and coolies ... ..		.....		528.00			
Punkah coolies ... ..		.....		106.72			
Burial of 3 constables ... ..		.....		140.00			
Taxes on houses occupied by married members of the force ... ..		.....		56.17			
Printing and stationery... ..		.....		136.43			
Fuel and light... ..		.....		1,881.33			
Miscellaneous charges ... ..		.....		73.78			
				<hr/>		4,253.55	
Carried forward.....Tls.		.....		.....		46,033.68	

## MUNICIPAL FINANCE—Continued.

REVENUE.	To 31st Dec. 1877.	To 31st Dec. 1878.	TOTAL.
Brought forward.....Tls.	7,226.68	.....	221,799.70
SANITARY DEPARTMENT.			
<i>Lock Hospital—</i>			
Fees collected ... ..	.....	716.80	
Less—Paid French Municipal Council		358.40	
			358.40
Carried forward.....Tls.	7,226.68	.....	222,158.10

## MUNICIPAL FINANCE—Continued.

DISBURSEMENTS.	Incurred by Council 1877.	Incurred 1st Jan. to 31st Dec. 1878.	TOTAL	
			Taels	cts.
Brought forward .....Tls.	.....	.....	46,033.68	
<b>RELIEF FUND.</b>				
Contributed during the year to foreign and native poor ... ..	.....	.....	295.45	
<b>SANITARY BRANCH.</b>				
<i>Foreign &amp; Native Hospitals—</i>				
General Hospital—Grant for the current year		2,000.00		
Hospitals for Chinese ... ..	.....	1,000.00	3,000.00	
<i>Lock Hospital—</i>				
Pay of 2 Surgeons ... ..	.....	1,583.34		
Wages of Constables ... ..	.....	213.97		
Repairs to building ... ..	.....	18.80		
Taxes on building ... ..	.....	19.48		
Medicines... ..	.....	32.93		
Stationery and incidentals ... ..	.....	23.36		
		1,891.88		
Less—Paid by French Municipal Council ... ..	.....	945.94	945.94	
<i>Medical—</i>				
Pay of Officer of Health ... ..	.....	500.00		
" " Municipal Surgeon ... ..	.....	750.00	1,250.00	
<i>Market &amp; Nuisance—</i>				
<i>Pay—</i>				
Inspector of Markets, Nuisances and Livery Stables ... ..	.....	2,100.00		
2 Assistants ... ..	.....	900.00		
1 do. Hongkew ... ..	.....	420.00		
1 Native Overseer ... ..	.....	96.00		
		3,516.00		
<i>Labour—</i>				
Removing night-soil and garbage and sweep- ing streets ... ..	.....	4,063.53		
Watering roads (the Bubbling Well road included) ... ..	.....	3,589.37		
Weeding roads ... ..	.....	180.98		
Watchmen for preventing nuisances ... ..	.....	281.82		
Cleaning drains ... ..	.....	1,332.22		
Hire of jin-rick-shas for assistants during the summer months ... ..	.....	27.51		
Disinfectants ... ..	.....	319.03		
Miscellaneous charges ... ..	.....	20.32	13,330.78	
<b>LIGHTING.</b>				
Gas for Settlement and Bubbling Well road	.....	.....	14,255.51	
Carried forward.....	.....	.....	79,111.36	





## MUNICIPAL FINANCE—Continued.

DISBURSEMENTS.	Incurred by Council 1877.	Incurred 1st Jan. to 31st Dec. 1878	TOTAL Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....Tls.	.....	.....	79,111.36
SURVEYOR'S OFFICE.			
<i>Pay—Foreign Staff—</i>			
Surveyor ... ..	.....	3,600.00	
Assistant ... ..	.....	600.00	
2 Overseers .....	.....	1,655.00	
1 Overseer (2 months.) ... ..	.....	100.00	
<i>Native Staff—</i>			
Office writer ... ..	.....	720.00	
Tracer... ..	.....	330.00	
Head Foreman and Interpreter ... ..	.....	210.00	
Office-boy ... ..	.....	84.00	
Carpenter ... ..	.....	144.00	
Water-coolie ... ..	.....	26.22	
<i>Rent and Allowances—</i>			
Allowance to Assistant Overseer ... ..	.....	60.00	
Rent of ground on Soochow Creek for storing road materials ... ..	.....	150.00	
Rent of ground corner of Nanking and Lloyd Roads from 1873 to 1875... ..	.....	150.00	
<i>Insurance—</i>			
On Office furniture, instruments, and plans in office ... ..	.....	30.00	
Fuel and light ... ..	.....	75.88	
Stationery, Printing, Newspapers and office necessaries... ..	.....	283.65	
Jin-rick-sha hire during summer months ... ..	.....	22.45	
Miscellaneous charges ... ..	.....	14.40	
			8,255.60
PUBLIC WORKS.			
<i>Bridges—</i>			
Repairs to Louza ... ..	.....	1,380.00	
General repairs and painting ... ..	.....	1,946.91	
<i>Buildings—</i>			
Ordinary repairs to all buildings ... ..	.....	877.06	
<i>Bundings—</i>			
Hongkew Creek near Seward Road ... ..	.....	2,435.86	
Yang-king-pang—Repairs between Kiangse and Szechuen roads ... ..	.....	1,105.40	
From Fuhkien to Chekiang roads ... ..	.....	2,601.45	
From No. 1 bridge to mouth of the Creek—Outstanding 31st December, 1877, since paid... ..	1,760.00	.....	
Ordinary repairs ... ..	.....	1,065.85	
Repairing Bund—at end of the Keechong road ... ..	.....	487.47	
<i>Creeks—</i>			
Yang-king-pang Creek—Half-cost Cleansing Outstanding 31st December, 1877, since paid	1,500.00	.....	
Carried forward.....Tls.	3,260.00	11,900.00	87,366.96

## MUNICIPAL FINANCE—Continued.

REVENUE.	To 31st Dec. 1877.	To 31st Dec. 1878	TOTAL.
Brought forward.....Tls.	7,226.68	.....	222,445.26
Carried forward.....Tls.	7,226.68	.....	222,445.26

## MUNICIPAL FINANCE—Continued.

DISBURSEMENTS.	Incurred by Council 1877.	Incurred 1st Jan. to 31st Dec. 1878.	Total. Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....Tls.	3,260.00	11,900.00	87,366.96
<b>PUBLIC WORKS—Continued.</b>			
<i>Drainage—</i>			
Chekian Road from Foochow to Hankow Road... ..	.....	828.67	
Hankow Road from Hupeh to Kwangse Road... ..	.....	370.31	
Subsidiary drains ... ..	.....	1,192.84	
Nanking—From Fuhkien to upper Kwangse Road—Outstanding on 31st December, 1877, since paid ... ..	1,850.00	.....	
<i>Fire Wells—</i>			
Junction of Kiangse and Canton Roads— Outstanding on 31st December, 1877, since paid... ..	1,000.00	.....	
<i>Latrines and Urinals-Repairs</i> ... ..	.....	11.14	
<i>Landing Stages—</i>			
New iron Pontoon ... ..	.....	3,418.75	
Repairs ... ..	.....	1,388.98	
<i>Roads—</i>			
Granite chips, sand and broken bricks ...	.....	17,488.87	
Granite blocks for curbs and side channels...	.....	2,145.90	
Labour—Making and repairing roads... ..	.....	7,408.12	
Laying curbs and side channels ... ..	.....	902.93	
Laying chip-pavement in native streets ...	.....	4,468.53	
Keeping Municipal Council's compound in order... ..	.....	111.79	
Miscellaneous charges ... ..	.....	80.39	
<i>Land for Widening and Improving Roads.</i>			
Nanking Road— <i>m. f. l. h.</i>			
Paid for portion of Lot 4, T.D. 8 ... 0 2 9 5...3,540.00			
For erecting wall, and building stables... .. 510.00			
Paid for portion of Lot 58a, T.D. 56 0 1 5 4... 655.00			
	.....	4,705.00	
Canton and Szechuen— <i>m. f. l. h.</i>			
Paid for portion of Lots 201, and 201a, T.D. 53 and 94 ... 0 1 7 2...1,000.00			
Paid for portion of Lot 21c, T.D. 253 ... 0 3 3 2...1,328.00			
	.....	2,328.00	
Canton and Keangse—			
Paid for portion of Lot 21a, T.D. 20 ... 50 square ft.	.....	30.30	
Carried forward.....Tls.	6,110.00	58,780.52	87,366.96

MUNICIPAL FINANCE—*Continued.*

REVENUE.	To 31st Dec. 1877.	To 31st Dec. 1878.	TOTAL.
Brought forward.....Tls.	7,226.68	.....	222,445.26
Carried forward.....Tls.	7,226.68	.....	222,445.26

## MUNICIPAL FINANCE—Continued.

DISBURSEMENTS.	Incurred by Council 1877.	Incurred 1st Jan. to 31st Dec. 1878.	TOTAL. Tls.    cts.
Brought forward.....Tls.	6,110.00	58,780.52	87,366.96
<b>PUBLIC WORKS—Continued.</b>			
<i>Roads—continued—</i>			
Chekiang Road— <i>m. f. l. h.</i>			
Paid for portion of Lots 758 and 759 T.D. 751 and 752 0 9 7 9... 988.79			
Paid for portion of Lot 1,150 T.D. 1,143    ...    ... 0 0 2 5... 25.00			
	.....	1,013.79	
Foochow Road—			
Paid for portion of Lot 1,052, T.D. 1,045    ...    ... 0 1 2 3...1,150.00			
Paid for portion of Lot 26, T.D. 66 0 1 6 2... 567.00			
For removing wall... 180.00			
	.....	1,897.00	
Szechuen Road—			
Paid for portion of Lot 36a, T.D. 49    ...    ... 0 1 6 3...    ...			
	.....	489.00	
Canton Road—			
Paid for portion of Lots 14, & 14a, T.D. 33 and 90 0 0 2 0... 120.00			
Paid for portion of Lots 21a & 21c, T.D. 20 and 81. 0 2 7 8...1,112.00			
For re-building wall and Lodge    ... 317.61			
	.....	1,549.61	
Hankow and Szechuen Roads—			
Paid for portion of Lot 25a, T.D. 4 0 3 9 2...1,764.00			
Re-building wall and Lodge    ...    ... 345.61			
	.....	2,109.61	
Hankow and Honan Road—			
Paid for portion of Lot 57a, T.D. 50 0 3 7 7...1,320.66			
Removing wall and Lodge    ...    ... 184.34			
	.....	1,505.00	
Lloyd Road—			
Paid for portion of Lot 1087 ...    ... 0 4 6 8			
	.....	234.00	
Honan and Canton Road—			
Paid for portion of Lots 143 and 60c. 147 square ft.			
Cost of removing Native Hong from Lot 333, so as to admit of a 12 feet road being continued from Nankin to Foochow road.			
	.....	224.00	
Carried forward.....Tls.	6,110.00	67,877.95	87,366.96

## MUNICIPAL FINANCE—Continued.

REVENUE.	To 31st Dec. 1877.	To 31st Dec. 1878.	TOTAL.
Brought forward..... Tls.	7,226.68	.....	222,445.26
CEMETERIES.			
New Cemetery—For 45 vaults at Tls. 10 .....	.....	450.00	562.50
For 50 graves at Tls. 2.25 .....	.....	112.50	
LOCAL POST OFFICE.			
Subscribers for the year... ..	.....	2,533.75	4,511.25
Postage on loose letters for the year ... ..	.....	857.95	
Expresses circulated ... ..	.....	397.75	
Sale of stamps and post-cards ... ..	.....	711.12	
Outstanding on 31st December, 1877, since collected ... ..	10.68	.....	
Carried forward.....Tls.	7,237.36	.....	227,519.01

## MUNICIPAL FINANCE—Continued.

DISBURSEMENTS.	Incurred by Council 1877.	Incurred 1st Jan. to 31st Dec. 1878.	TOTAL. Tls.    cts.
Brought forward.....Tls	6,110.00	67,877.95	87,366.96
<b>PUBLIC WORKS—Continued.</b>			
<i>Roads—continued.</i>			
Hankow Road—			
Paid for portion of			
Lot 1013, T.D.			
1006... .. 0 2 9 6...1,184.00			
Re-building wall and			
gate ... .. 196.10	.....	1,380.10	75,368.05
<b>OUTSIDE ROADS.</b>			
Maintenance and repairs ... ..	.....	2,328.82	
Making culvert at Bubbling Well road,			
junction of Siccawei road, and Repairs			
to bridges ... ..	.....	561.51	
Repairs to bundings... ..	.....	350.84	
Bunding and raising a portion of the Mark-			
ham road, (from Mr. Batt's Bungalow			
to Alpha Farm... ..	.....	619.45	
Trees—Contract outstanding on 31st Decem-			
ber, 1877 ... .. 400.00	400.00		4,260.62
<b>CEMETERIES.</b>			
Pay of Sextoness for all cemeteries and			
allowance for chair-coolies ... ..	.....	237.41	
Pay of Gardeners for care of Cemeteries and			
Cathedral compound ... ..	.....	669.96	
Repairs to all Cemeteries ... ..	.....	47.02	
Repairs to Pootung Cemetery ... ..	.....	287.65	
Chinese Government ground-rent... ..	.....	71.05	1,813.09
<b>PUBLIC GARDEN.</b>			
Maintenance of garden (for detail see Garden			
Committee's report) ... ..	.....	578.17	
Cost of trees, plants, seeds, &c. ... ..	.....	88.41	
Repairs to Pavilion, painting Greenhouses &c.		148.94	
Awnings, repairs to seats, &c.... ..	.....	98.64	
New Greenhouse ... ..	.....	302.18	1,216.34
<b>LOCAL POST OFFICE.</b>			
<i>Pay—</i>			
Postmaster ... ..	.....	2000.00	
Assistant ... ..	.....	240.00	
Delivery coolies ... ..	.....	1,651.00	
Mail bags ... ..	.....	29.92	
Fuel and light ... ..	.....	55.25	
Newspapers, Printing and Advertising... ..	.....	207.76	
Agencies at Foochow, and Pagoda Anchorage		180.00	
Agency at Swatow, 1877 and 1878 ... ..	.....	217.05	
Incidental charges ... ..	.....	10.03	4,591.01
Carried forward.....Tls.	6,510.00	.....	174,116.07



MUNICIPAL FINANCE—*Continued.*

REVENUE.	To 31st Dec. 1877.	To 31st Dec. 1878.	Total.
Brought forward.....Tls.	7,237.36	.....	227,519.01
POUND FEES,			
Poundage for cattle found straying ... ..	.....	.....	37.63
Carried forward.....Tls.	7,237.36	.....	227,556.64

## MUNICIPAL FINANCE—Continued.

DISBURSEMENTS.	Incurred by Council 1877.	Incurred 1st Jan. to 31st Dec. 1878.	TOTAL.	
			Tls.	cts.
Brought forward.....Tls.	6,510.00	.....	174,116.07	
SECRETARIAT.				
<i>Pay—Foreign—</i>				
Secretary, 10½ months ... ..	.....	3,710.00		
Accountant ... ..	.....	2,800.00		
„ Extra pay as Acting Secretary ...	.....	300.00		
Assistant—Tax office (9 months on half-pay absent) ... ..	.....	1,596.66		
Assistant—General office ... ..	.....	2,025.00		
„ Temporary—(during absence on leave of Assistant) ... ..	.....	1,750.00		
Assistant—Dues office ... ..	.....	1,800.00		
Overseer and Collector of Rates ... ..	.....	1,500.00		
Foreign Collectors of native rates and license fees ... ..	.....	1,781.66		
<i>Pay—Native—</i>				
Linguist and Assistant ... ..	.....	720.00		
Compradore and Assistants ... ..	.....	2,025.88		
Chinese Tax-writers ... ..	.....	330.37		
Sampan-man employed in the collection of Sampan-tax ... ..	.....	96.00		
Godown-man ... ..	.....	102.00		
Policeman at Council House ... ..	.....	96.00		
<i>Native Servants—</i>				
For Municipal offices ... ..	.....	289.07		
Office-boy for Dues office at Custom House	.....	96.00		
Coolie for numbering Chinese houses ... ..	.....	24.00		
Punkah and water coolies ... ..	.....	60.21		
			21,102.85	
GENERAL CHARGES.				
Fuel and light for all offices, stables and godown ... ..	.....	148.75		
Insurance on Municipal buildings ... ..	.....	112.38		
Legal expenses ... ..	.....	1,499.32		
Audit fee ... ..	.....	500.00		
Stationery, Printing, Newspapers and Advertising ... ..	.....	1,863.73		
Postages ... ..	.....	41.33		
House numbers and license cards ... ..	.....	400.28		
Incidental Charges... ..	.....	167.61		
			4,733.40	
STUD.				
Animals for public works ... ..	.....	2,982.53		
„ „ removing garbage, &c. ... ..	.....	4,552.89		
„ „ Surveyor, Superintendent and In- spectors of Police, Inspector of Nuisances, Collector and Overseer of rates ... ..	.....	886.00		
Invoice of neats-foot oil... ..	.....	36.01		
Oil for carts, wheelbarrows, &c. ... ..	.....	75.90		
			8,533.33	
Carried forward.....Tls.	6,510.00	.....	208,485.65	

## MUNICIPAL FINANCE—Continued.

REVENUE.	To 31st Dec. 1877.	To 31st Dec. 1878.	Total.
Brought forward.....Tls.	7,237.36	.....	227,556.64
MUNICIPAL LOAN OF 1878.			
240 Debentures issued at Tael 100 each ... ..	.....	.....	24,000.00
MUNICIPAL STOCK & STORES.			
Miscellaneous—Sale of drain pipes, coals, condemned stores, etc. ... ..	.....	.....	2,168.23
LAND AND BUILDINGS.			
Rent of Lock Hospital ... ..	.....	.....	64.08
INTEREST.			
On 15,000 Municipal Debentures forming "Special Deposit" Account ... ..	.....	1,200.00	
Premium on 240 Debentures, Loan of 1878 ... ..	.....	2,359.75	
			3,559.75
SINKING FUND.			
Interest on balance ... ..	.....	.....	628.86
Carried forward.....Tls.	7,237.36	.....	257,977.56

## MUNICIPAL FINANCE.—Continued.

DISBURSEMENTS.	Incurred by Council 1877.	Incurred 1st Jan. to 31st Dec. 1878.	TOTAL	
			Tls.	cts.
Brought forward.....Tls.	6,510.00	.....	208,485.65	
<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT.</b>				
Contribution (vide report of Fire Commission)...	.....	.....	2,850.00	
<b>VOLUNTEER CORPS.</b>				
Band expenses ... ..	.....	767.42		
Pay of Armourer, coolie and markers at Butts...	.....	853.23		
Insurance on Arms ... ..	.....	36.72		
Chinese Government Ground tax ... ..	.....	21.41		
Subscription to National Rifle Association, Lon- don ... ..	.....	39.07		
Repairs to Butts and Targets ... ..	.....	158.65		
Incidental Charges ... ..	.....	121.64		
Advertising and Stationery ... ..	.....	111.76		
			2,109.90	
<b>MUNICIPAL STOCK &amp; STORES ACCOUNT.</b>				
Public Works—Purchase of, and repairs to, plant	.....	1,236.58		
Sanitary Nuisance " " " "	.....	1,585.58		
Purchase of harness and repairs to traps ... ..	.....	751.18		
Furniture and gas fittings for Offices and Police Stations ... ..	.....	119.06		
Street Lamps, repairs, &c. ... ..	.....	87.09		
Volunteer Stock ... ..	.....	2,070.82		
Coals for use of Departments ... ..	.....	725.10		
Drain Pipes ... ..	.....	4,491.49		
Miscellaneous ... ..	.....	185.14		
			11,251.94	
<b>TELEGRAPH LINES.</b>				
Maintenance of all lines by contract ... ..	.....	1,500.00		
Repairs and alterations ... ..	.....	32.90		
			1,532.90	
<b>INTEREST.</b>				
On Debentures ... ..	.....	7,640.80		
" Police Gratuity Fund ... ..	.....	700.87		
" Savings Bank ... ..	.....	19.08		
" Daily balance at Bank ... ..	.....	17.73		
			8,378.48	
<b>SINKING FUND.</b>				
Amount deposited at Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—1 year from 31st March, 1878, to 30th March, 1879, @ 5 per cent per annum ... ..	.....	3,000.00		
Interest on Fund from September, 1877, to September, 1878 ... ..	.....	628.86		
			3,628.86	
Carried forward.....Tls.	6,510.00	.....	238,237.73	

## MUNICIPAL FINANCE—Continued.

REVENUE.	To 31st Dec. 1877.	To 31st Dec. 1878.	Total.
Brought forward.....Tls.	7,237.36	.....	257,977.56
<b>TELEGRAPH LINES.</b>			
Paid by owners of private lines for use of Council's poles ... ..	.....	.....	500.00
<b>OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS, 1877.</b>			
On closing accounts, 31st December, 1877, rates, dues, &c. outstanding at that date were estimated ...	7,237.36		
They have amounted to ... ..	9,546.29		
<i>Surplus</i> carried to revenue for current year...	.....	2,308.93	
The outstanding bills, &c., on 31st December, 1877, were estimated and placed to the expenditure of that year... ..	7,360.00		
Of this has been expended during the year ... ..	6,572.83		
This saving credited to the year ... ..	.....	787.17	
		3,096.10	
<b>OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS, 1876.</b>			
For extension of the Seward Road, written off, owing to the uncertainty of getting this improvement effected ... ..	.....	614.00	
<b>OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS, 1875.</b>			
For extension of Markham Road, written off, owing to the uncertainty of getting this improvement effected ... ..	.....	1,867.61	
		5,577.71	
	7,237.36		264,055.27
From which deduct outstandings 1877 ... ..			7,237.36
Showing TOTAL RECEIPTS for out-going Council's term of office ...			256,817.91
SURPLUS 1877 ... ..			11,812.07
		Tls.	268,629.98
Depreciation on Property and Stores ... ..			Tls. 10,000.00

P. G. HÜBBE,  
E. H. LAVERS.

*Members of Finance, Rate, and Appeal Committee.*

## MUNICIPAL FINANCE—Continued.

DISBURSEMENTS.	Incurred by Council 1877.	Incurred 1st Jan. to 31st Dec. 1878.	Total. Tls.    cts.
Brought forward.....Tls.	6,510.00	....	238,237.73
LAND AND BUILDINGS.			
<i>m. f. l. h.</i>			
8183 of Land from Lot 365, T.D. 358—Site for Hongkew Police Station ... ..	.....	5,000.00	
Cost of raising the land ... ..	.....	177.90	
Paid on account of contract for building Police Station, cells, &c. ... ..	.....	6,000.00	
Balance of contract outstanding, 31st December, 1878 ... ..	.....	13,412.00	
Building a shed for storing tools, &c. ... ..	.....	100.00	
Enlarging Powder Magazine... ..	.....	200.17	
Building new Black smith's shop on land adjoining Central Police Station, and cost of in- ternal fittings ... ..	.....	995.29	25,885.36
MUNICIPAL LOAN OF JUNE, 1873.			
100 Debentures redeemed ... ..	.....	.....	10,000.00
SHANGHAI MUSEUM.			
Contribution ... ..	.....	.....	250.00
TAX SUSPENSE.			
Amounts considered irrecoverable, written off ...	.....	.....	154.40
CONTINGENCIES.			
Gratuity to widow of late Tax-Collector ... ..	.....	500.00	
Contribution to Wind Instrument Society ... ..	.....	72.50	572.50
	6,510.00		275,099.99
Deduct outstandings, 1877 ... ..			6,510.00
Showing EXPENDITURE for out-going Council's term of office... ..			268,589.99
<b>SURPLUS of Income over Expenditure</b> ... ..			39.99
		Tls.	268,629.98
General Balance—Depreciation on Property and Stores, written off ... ..Tls.			10,000.00

Audited and found correct,

P. MACLEAN,

Auditor.

## No. 2.

## DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS.

## POLICE REWARD FUND.

Balance on hand 31st December, 1877 ... ..	Tls. 2,623.84	Newspapers for the force, &c. ... ..	Tls. 86.59
Fines and sales of unclaimed property ... ..	204.00	Balance on 31st December, 1878 ... ..	2,741.25
	<u>Tls. 2,827.84</u>		<u>Tls. 2,827.84</u>

## POLICE GRATUITY FUND.

Balance on hand, 31st December, 1877... ..	Tls. 14,008.29	Grants made to members on leaving the force ...	Tls. 2,632.00
Gratuity from police pay ... ..	1,878.76	Balance on 31st December, 1878 ... ..	13,955.92
Interest on fund at 5 per cent. per annum ... ..	700.87		<u>Tls. 16,587.92</u>
	<u>Tls. 16,587.92</u>		

## POLICE SAVING'S BANK.

Balance on hand, 31st December, 1877 ... ..	Tls. 151.10	Balance on 31st December 1878 ... ..	Tls. 470.18
Deposited by members of the force ... ..	300.00		
Interest on fund at 8 per cent. per annum ... ..	19.08		
	<u>Tls. 470.18</u>		<u>Tls. 470.18</u>

## POLICE PASSAGE FUND.

Balance on hand, 31st December, 1877 ... ..	Tls. 2,236.36	For passages of time-expired members of the	
Transferred from Police charges, for men entitled to		Police Force ... ..	Tls. 750.00
passages ... ..	600.00	Balance on hand 31st December, 1878 ... ..	2,086.36
	<u>Tls. 2,836.36</u>		<u>Tls. 2,836.36</u>



# FOREIGN LIQUOR SELLERS.

Balance on hand, 31st December, 1877 ... ..	Tls.	315.93	Withdrawn by Foreigners closing taverns ... ..	Tls.	233.50
Deposited by Foreigners opening taverns ... ..	"	233.50	Balance on hand, 31st December, 1878 ... ..	"	315.93
	Tls.	<u>549.43</u>		Tls.	<u>549.43</u>

# NATIVE LIQUOR SELLERS.

Balance on hand, 31st December, 1877 ... ..	Tls.	367.46	Withdrawn by Chinese closing houses of business...Tls.	43.59
			Balance on hand, 31st December, 1878 ... ..	323.87
	Tls.	<u>367.46</u>		<u>Tls. 367.46</u>

# NATIVE LIVERY STABLE-KEEPERS.

Balance on hand, 31st December, 1877... ..	Tls.	254.63	Withdrawn by Chinese closing stables ... ..	Tls.	126.74
Deposited by Chinese opening stables ... ..	"	54.14	Balance on hand, 31st December, 1878 ... ..	"	182.03
	Tls.	<u>308.77</u>		Tls.	<u>308.77</u>

# FOREIGN LIVERY STABLE-KEEPERS.

Balance on hand, 31st December, 1877... ..	Tls.	19.98			
Deposited by Foreigners opening livery stables ... ..	"	18.15	Balance on hand, 31st December, 1878 ... ..	Tls.	38.13
	Tls.	<u>38.13</u>		Tls.	<u>38.13</u>

# LOCAL POST OFFICE DELIVERY COOLIES' SECURITY.

Balance on hand, 31st December, 1877... ..	Tls.	85.16	Withdrawn ... ..	Tls.	11.63
Deposited ... ..	"	11.62	Balance on hand, 31st December, 1878 ... ..	"	85.15
	Tls.	<u>96.78</u>		Tls.	<u>96.78</u>

# LOCAL POST OFFICE COOLIES' FINE FUND.

Balance on hand, 31st December, 1877... ..Tls.	2.60	Amount distributed ... ..Tls.	2.60
Amount of fines ... ..Tls.	1.45	Balance on hand, 31st December, 1878 ... ..Tls.	1.45
	<u>Tls. 4.05</u>		<u>Tls. 4.05</u>

## LOCAL POST OFFICE NON-SUBSCRIBERS' DEPOSIT.

Balance on hand, 31st December, 1877... ..Tls.	163.67	Transferred to Non-subscribers' postage accounts...Tls.	479.86
Deposited by Non-subscribers... ..Tls.	453.94	Balance on hand, 31st December, 1878 ... ..Tls.	138.25
	<u>Tls. 617.61</u>		<u>Tls. 617.61</u>

## SHANGHAI VOLUNTEER PRIZE FUND.

Balance on hand, 31st December, 1877... ..Tls.	32.29	Payments ... ..Tls.	32.29
Collected for prizes ... ..Tls.	37.60	Balance on hand, 31st December, 1878 ... ..Tls.	37.60
	<u>Tls. 69.89</u>		<u>Tls. 69.89</u>

## TREE CONTRACTOR.

Balance on hand, 31st December, 1877... ..Tls.	<u>36.50</u>	—Balance on hand, 31st December, 1878... ..Tls.	<u>36.50</u>
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Examined and found correct.

P. MACLEAN.  
Auditor.

P. G. HÜBBE.  
E. H. LAVERS.

Members of Finance, Rate and Appeal Committee.

## No. 3

## LAND, BUILDINGS AND PROPERTY ACCOUNT.

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*Balance as per last Report (vide page 101) ... .. Tls. 171,372.95*

*Land and Buildings.*

Hongkew Police Station—cost of land and raising ... ..	5,177.90	
Cost of building ... ..	19,412.00	
		<hr/> 24,589.90
Enlarging Powder Magazine ... ..	200.17	
Building Black-smith's Shop ... ..	995.29	
„ Shed for storing road implements.	100.00	
		<hr/> 25,885.36

*Plant, Stores and Rolling Stock.*

Plant for Public Works ... ..	1,236.58	
„ „ Nuisance Branch... ..	1,585.58	
Furniture and gas fittings ... ..	119.06	
Coals and Miscellaneous Stores... ..	5,401.63	
Purchase of harness, repairs to traps, &c ...	751.18	
Street Lamps ... ..	87.09	
		<hr/> 9,181.12

*Shanghai Volunteer Corps.*

Cartridges ... ..	2,070.82	
		<hr/> 11,251.94
		<hr/> 87,137.30

*Deduct—*

Sale of condemned Stock, Drain Pipes, &c. 2,168.23		
Rent of Lock Hospital ... ..	64.08	
		<hr/> 2,232.31
		<hr/> 84,904.99

		<hr/> Tls. 206,277.94
Depreciation written off ... ..		10,000.00
		<hr/> Tls. 196,277.94

Audited and found correct.

P. MACLEAN.

*Auditor.*

## SUMMARY OF

*December*

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OUTSTANDING CONTRACT.

Balance of contract for building Hongkew Police Station... ... 13,412.00

Tls. 13,412.00

Audited and found correct.

P. MACLEAN.

*Auditor.*

## OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS.

31st, 1878.

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RATES AND TAXES.
*Dues on Merchandize.*

Dues for October and November, outstanding and considered good 172.20

„ „ December ... .. 5,000.00

 Tls. 5,172.20

## GENERAL STATEMENT OF

*From 1st January, 1878,*

## RECEIPTS.

## DETAILED STATEMENT ANNEXED.

1st January, 1878—Cash Balance as per last Report, (page 106) ... ..	2,492.69
Receipts to 31st December, 1878 ... ..	264,055.27
Less—Outstanding Taxes on that date... ..	5,172.20
	<hr/> 258,883.07
Receipts on Deposit Accounts ... ..	4,513.11
Tax Suspense Account—Sundry Accounts transferred ... ..	198.66
Special deposit transferred ... ..	5,000.00

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I have examined the Books and Vouchers of the Municipality, and certify that the foregoing statements are in accordance therewith.

P. MACLEAN.

*Auditor.*

# RECEIPTS & EXPENDITURE.

to 31st December, 1878.

## EXPENDITURE.

### DETAILED STATEMENT ANNEXED.

Expenditure to 31st December, 1878	...	...	...	...	275,099.99	
Less Outstanding Contracts, &c.	...	...	...	...	13,412.00	
						261,687.99
Payments on Deposit Accounts	...	...	...	...	...	4,398.30
Outstanding Accounts 1875—Amount transferred	...				1,867.61	
" " 1876	"	"	...		614.00	
" " 1877	"	"	...		850.00	
						3,831.61
Cash Balance, viz :—						
At Hongkong & Shanghai Bank	...	...	...		624.15	
In hands of Compradore	...	...	...	...	980.48	
						1,604.63
					Taels	271,022.53

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## BALANCE

*December*

## ASSETS.

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LAND, BUILDINGS AND PROPERTY, ACCOUNT (vide page 101).	196,277.94
RATES AND TAXES DUE (vide page 103) ... ..	5,172.20
SPECIAL DEPOSIT ACCOUNT ... ..	15,000.00
SINKING FUND... ..	14,596.86
TAX SUSPENSE ACCOUNT ... ..	2,145.98
CASH IN HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK ... ..	624.15
Do. IN COMPRADORE'S HANDS ... ..	980.48

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 Tls. 234,797.11
 

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I have examined the Books and Vouchers of the Municipality, and certify that the foregoing statements are in accordance therewith.

P. MACLEAN,  
Auditor.

## SHEET.

31st, 1878.

## LIABILITIES.

MUNICIPAL LOAN OF 1872 (Balance) ... ..	28,700.00	
" " " 1873 " ... ..	11,000.00	
" " " 1875 " ... ..	42,800.00	
" " " 1878 " ... ..	24,000.00	
		106,500.00
UNPAID BILLS (vide page 102)... ..		13,412.00
DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS as under, viz:—		
Police Reward Fund ... ..	2,741.25	
Police Gratuity Fund ... ..	13,955.92	
Police Savings Bank ... ..	470.18	
Police Passage Fund ... ..	2,086.36	
Foreign Liquor Sellers ... ..	315.93	
Native Liquor Sellers ... ..	323.87	
Foreign Livery Stable Keepers ... ..	38.13	
Native Livery Stable Keepers... ..	182.03	
Local Post Office Delivery Coolies... ..	85.15	
Local Post Office Non-subscribers' Deposit ... ..	138.25	
Local Post Office Coolies Fine Fund ... ..	1.45	
Shanghai Volunteer Prize Fund ... ..	37.60	
Tree Contractor's Security ... ..	36.50	
		20,412.62
		140,324.62
GENERAL BALANCE ... ..		94,472.49
		<u>Tls. 234,797.11</u>

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## STATEMENT COMPARING THE ACTUAL RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE FOR 1878,

RECEIPTS.	Balance per General Ledger, 31st Dec. 1878.	Deduct Receipts 1877 Account.	Showing Actual Re- ceipts on Budget to 31st Dec. 1878.	Original Estimate.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Land Tax.. .. .	20,475.50	323.98	20,151.52	20,180.00	..	28.48
General Municipal Rate—Foreign .. .	26,363.36	18.50	26,349.86	27,000.00	..	650.14
"    "    "    "—Native .. .	50,851.52	..	50,851.52	52,000.00	..	1,148.48
Dues on Merchandize .. .	83,450.78	6,889.20	76,561.58	80,000.00	..	3,438.42
Foreign Liquor Sellers License .. .	1,793.00	..	1,793.00	1,800.00	..	7.00
"    Billiard and Bowling Saloons.. .	260.08	..	260.08	250.00	10.08	..
Native Sellers of Foreign Liquor .. .	1,388.16	..	1,388.16	1,500.00	..	111.84
"    Sam-ans .. .	965.76	..	965.76	1,000.00	..	34.24
"    Pawn-shops .. .	3,038.88	..	3,038.88	2,500.00	538.88	..
"    Opium-shops .. .	11,796.12	..	11,796.12	12,000.00	..	203.88
"    Wheelbarrows.. .	4,336.22	..	4,336.22	5,500.00	..	1,163.78
"    Wine-shops .. .	1,475.72	..	1,475.72	1,500.00	..	24.28
"    Jin-rik-shas .. .	6,707.98	..	6,707.98	6,000.00	707.98	..
Foreign and Native Cargo Boat License .. .	4,912.10	..	4,912.10	4,800.00	112.10	..
"    "    Livery Stables .. .	1,679.04	..	1,679.04	1,420.00	259.04	..
"    "    Theatres .. .	506.22	..	506.22	500.00	6.22	..
Telegraph Fees .. .	500.00	..	500.00	500.00	..	..
Permit Fees for opening roads to construct or repair drains, and erecting sunshades .. .	287.16	..	287.16	300.00	..	12.84
Poundage .. .	37.63	..	37.63	..	37.63	..
Lock Hospital (one half) .. .	358.40	..	358.40	375.00	..	16.60
Night Soil .. .	1,789.26	..	1,789.26	1,700.00	99.26	..
Cemetery Fees .. .	562.50	..	562.50	350.00	212.50	..
Local Post Office .. .	4,511.25	10.68	4,500.57	4,500.00	57	..
Interest .. .	3,559.75	..	3,559.75	1,400.00	2,159.75	..
Sinking Fund .. .	628.86	..	628.86	630.00	..	1.14
Municipal Stock and Stores .. .	2,168.23	..	2,168.23	1,900.00	1,168.23	..
Land and Buildings .. .	64.08	..	64.08	..	64.08	..
Municipal Loan of 1878. 240 Debentures .. .	24,000.00	..	24,000.00	..	24,000.00	..
Outstanding Accounts 1875, 1876, 1877 .. .	5,577.71	..	5,577.71	..	5,577.71	..
Surplus, 1877 .. .	254,055.27	..	254,817.91	228,705.00	34,954.03	6,841.12
Tls. 11,812.07	..	..	11,812.07	11,812.07	..	..
Depreciation on Municipal Stock and Stores and Buildings .. .	275,867.34	7,237.36	268,629.98	240,517.07	..	..
Tls. 10,000.00	..	..	10,000.00	10,500.00	..	..
Tls. 285,867.34	7,237.36	278,629.98	250,517.07	34,954.03	6,841.12	..

## WITH THE ORIGINAL ESTIMATE (AS PER BUDGET) FOR THE SAME PERIOD.

EXPENDITURE.	Disburse- ments per General Ledger.	Deduct Disburse- ments on 1877 Account.	Actual Expendi- ture on Budget to 31st Dec 1878.	Estimate 1878.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Police—Pay .....	35,423.72	..	35,423.72	37,340.00	..	1,916.28
Clothing, Rent, Insurance, Medicines and Incidental Expenses .....	10,609.96	..	10,609.96	1,0340.50	269.46	..
Relief of Poor .....	295.45	..	295.45	300.00	..	4.55
SANITARY—						
Foreign and Native Hospitals .....	3,000.00	..	3,000.00	3,000.00	..	..
Lock Hospital (one half) .....	945.54	..	945.54	1,000.00	..	54.66
Medical Branch .....	1,250.00	..	1,250.00	1,200.00	..	50.00
Nuisance and Market Branch .....	13,330.78	..	13,330.78	15,000.00	..	1,669.22
Lighting .....	14,255.51	..	14,255.51	15,100.00	..	844.49
SURVEYORS OFFICE—						
Salaries .....	7,469.22	..	7,469.22	7,800.00	..	339.78
Rent of Ground for Storing road materials &c. Insurance, Newspapers, Fuel, Light, and Office Necessaries .....	360.00	..	360.00	360.00	..	..
	426.38	..	426.38	265.00	161.38	..
PUBLIC WORKS—						
Bridges .....	3,326.91	..	3,326.91	4,600.00	..	1,273.09
Buildings .....	877.06	..	877.06	1,000.00	..	622.94
Buildings .....	9,456.03	1,760.00	7,696.03	6,750.00	946.03	..
Creeks .....	1,500.00	1,500.00	..	1,850.00	..	1,850.00
Drainage .....	4,241.82	1,850.00	2,391.82	3,060.00	..	668.18
Fire Wells .....	1,000.00	1,000.00	..	200.00	..	200.00
Landing Stages .....	4,807.73	..	4,807.73	4,500.00	307.73	..
Roads .....	50,147.36	..	50,147.36	39,500.00	10,647.36	..
Latrines .....	11.14	..	11.14	..	11.14	..
Outside Roads .....	4,260.62	400.00	3,860.62	3,000.00	860.62	..
Public Garden .....	1,216.34	..	1,216.34	1,000.00	216.34	..
Cemeteries and Cathedral Compound .....	1,313.09	..	1,313.09	1,100.00	213.09	..
Local Post Office .....	4,591.01	..	4,591.01	4,690.00	..	98.99
SECRETARIAT—						
Salaries including collection of taxes .....	21,102.85	..	21,102.85	20,341.00	761.85	..
GENERAL CHARGES—						
Audit Fee .....	500.00	..	500.00	500.00	..	..
Fuel and Light .....	148.75	..	148.75	200.00	..	61.25
House, Wheelbarrow, Cargo-Boat, Sampan, and Carriage Numbers .....	400.28	..	400.28	300.00	100.28	..
Insurance .....	112.38	..	112.38	222.50	..	180.12
Law Expenses .....	1,499.32	..	1,499.32	1,500.00	..	.68
Postage, Stationery, Printing and Advertis- ing .....	1,905.06	..	1,905.06	2,100.00	..	194.94
Miscellaneous Charges .....	167.61	..	167.61	100.00	17.61	..
STUD—Animal Labour .....	8,532.33	..	8,532.33	9,900.00	..	1,366.67
FIRE Department .....	2,850.00	..	2,850.00	2,500.00	850.00	..
Volunteer Corps .....	2,109.90	..	2,109.90	2,000.00	109.90	..
Interest .....	8,378.48	..	8,378.48	9,112.00	..	733.52
Sinking Fund .....	3,628.86	..	3,628.86	3,630.00	..	1.14
Municipal Stock and Stores .....	11,251.94	..	11,251.94	8,505.00	2,946.94	..
Debentures redeemed, Loan of 1878 .....	10,000.00	..	10,000.00	10,000.00	..	..
Land and Buildings .....	25,885.36	..	25,885.36	700.00	25,185.36	..
Telegraph Lines .....	1,532.90	..	1,532.90	1,700.00	..	167.10
Shanghai Museum .....	250.00	..	250.00	250.00	..	..
Tax Suspense .....	154.40	..	154.40	..	154.40	..
Contingencies .....	572.50	..	572.50	3,383.07	..	2,810.57
	275,099.99	6,510.00	268,589.99	239,968.07	43,759.49	15,137.57
Depreciation as per Contra .....	10,000.00	..	10,000.00	10,000.00	..	..
Tls.	285,099.99	6,510.00	278,589.99	249,968.07	43,759.49	15,137.57

# MUNICIPAL BUDGET.

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## ESTIMATE

FOR THE

YEAR COMMENCED 1st JANUARY, 1879,

AND

ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1879,

WITH

REMARKS

BY THE COUNCIL FOR THE FOREIGN COMMUNITY  
OF SHANGHAI OF 1878.

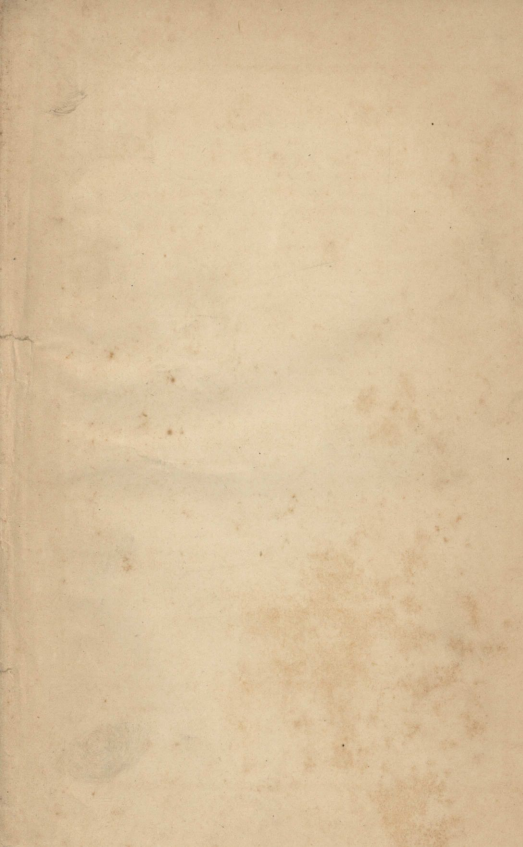
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# ESTIMATE.

## FOR THE

# MUNICIPAL YEAR

*From 1st January, 1879, to 31st December, 1879,*

WITH REMARKS BY THE

## COUNCIL FOR 1878.

*To be taken in connection with the General Report for the Year ending  
31st December, 1878.*

THE Council for 1878 beg to submit to the Ratepayers their estimates of Municipal Income and Expenditure for the year ending 31st December, 1879, which call for few remarks.

The Income is estimated at Tls. 234,715.99, in which is included the sum of Tls. 10,000 which the Council recommend should be withdrawn from the Sinking Fund and applied towards paying off the Municipal Loan of 1872.

The Council recommend that the same Rates, Dues, and Taxes as were levied during last year, be maintained :—

*On Land*,  $\frac{2}{100}$  of one per cent. per annum on the assessed value.

*On Houses occupied by Foreigners*, 6 per cent. per annum on the assessment, and

*On Houses occupied by Natives*, 8 per cent. per annum on the actual rental paid.

*Dues on Merchandise*.—That the present tariff be continued.

*License Fees*.—That the present scale be maintained, except on Carriages and Jin-rik-shas, which they recommend should be raised. On 2-wheeled Carriages at Livery stables from \$0.25 @ \$0.75 p Month.

4	do.	do.	0.50 @	1.25	„
2	do.	plying for hire in streets	0.75 @	1.50	„
4	do.	do.	1.50 @	2.50	„
Jin-rik-shas	...	...	0.50 @	1.00	„
And that a license fee of	...	...		1.00	„

be charged on Native Water Carts, of which there are about 45 in the Settlement, and which do considerable injury to the roads.



They suggest that the Ratepayers authorize the incoming Council to collect as under :—

*Land Tax.*—Half-yearly in advance, on and after the 1st days of January and June respectively.

*General Municipal Rate—Foreign.*—Quarterly in advance, on and after the 1st days of January, April, July, and October respectively.

*General Municipal Rate—Native.*—Monthly or quarterly, as may appear advisable, in advance, on and after the 1st January.

*Dues on Merchandise.*—Monthly.

*All such rates and dues* being payable at the time specified, and to be paid within fourteen days of demand for payment.

*License Fees.*—From every house of Public Entertainment, Billiard, or Bowling Saloon, or Shop, or Store for the sale of Wines, Beer, Spirits, Intoxicating Drugs, Butcher's Meat, Poultry or Game, Slaughter House or Livery Stable, Opium-Shop, Pawn-Shop, Boat or Public Vehicle, plying, let or used for hire within the limits of the Settlement, monthly or quarterly as may appear advisable—always in advance.

*From every Music Hall, Theatre, Circus, or Dancing Saloon*—Nightly in advance.

*Telegraph or Telephone Fees*—At the rate of Tls. 100 per line per annum, in advance.

*Cemetery Fees* and subscriptions to *Local Post Office*, in advance.

*Fees for Permits* to use sunshades over public thoroughfares—At time of making application for permit.

*Fees for Permit* to open roads for the purpose of constructing or repairing connections with Municipal Drains—At time of making application for permit.

*The Sale of Night-Soil* to the best advantage.

## EXPENDITURE.

The sum recommended is Taels 234,715.99, being a decrease on last year's Budget of Taels 5,351.08. After providing for the Policing, Scavengering and Lighting of the Settlement, for the Stud, support of the Volunteer Corps, interest on Debentures, and purchase of additional Rolling Stock, Sinking Fund, Local Post Office, and the usual expenses of administration, there remains a sum of Taels 85,603.99. Of this it is proposed to devote:—

To Public improvements, maintenance of and repairs to existing roads and public properties .....	Taels 57,406.00
To Hospitals.....	„ 4,500.00
To Fire Department.....	„ 3,000.00
For redemption of 200 Debentures.....	„ 20,000.00
For Shanghai Museum .....	„ 250.00
For Contingencies .....	„ 447.99
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	Taels 85,603.99

## PROSPECTIVE WORKS.

Widening where possible the main thoroughfares of the Settlement.  
New Roads.

# MUNICIPAL

*Estimate for the year 1st January*

## Income.

LAND TAX.		Tls.	cts.	Tls.	cts.
FOREIGN—At 3/10th of 1 per cent. on Tls. 6,715,686, being Tls. 6,943,466 total assessed value of land.					
Less	227,780 " " " " property occupied by Hospitals, Churches, Cemeteries, and Municipal Properties.				
Tls. 6,715,686	... ..	.....		20,147.00	
GENERAL MUNICIPAL RATE.					
FOREIGN.—At 6 per cent. on assessed rentals of rateable Houses. Tls. 515,245= ... .. 30,914.00 Allow for houses unoccupied during the year 4,314.00					
Estimated to be received	... ..	.....		26,600.00	
NATIVE—At 8 per cent. on \$997,000 (total assessed rentals at 31st December, 1878, of Chinese Houses) = \$79,760 at exchange 73 Tls. ... 58,225.00 Allow for houses unoccupied during the year... .. 7,725.00					
Estimated to be received...	... ..	.....		50,500.00	
DUES ON MERCHANDIZE.					
Estimated to be received from the Public	... .. 65,000				
From the Taotai, \$14,000, say...	... .. 10,200				
		.....		75,200.00	
Carried forward.....		.....		172,447.00	

# BUDGET.

to 31st December, 1879.

## Expenditure.

						Tls.	cts.	Tls.	cts.
POLICE FORCE.									
<i>Pay.—Foreigners.</i>									
1	Superintendent...	...	...	...	3,600.00				
3	Inspectors ...	...	...	...	6,120.00				
9	Sergeants ...	...	...	...	6,480.00				
20	Constables ...	...	...	...	10,500.00				
						26,700.00			
33	Foreigners.								
	<i>Natives.</i>								
8	Sergeants ...	...	...	...	960.00				
8	Detectives ...	...	...	...	1,608.00				
124	Constables ...	...	...	...	11,592.00				
						14,160.00			
140	Natives								
173						40,860.00			
<i>Deduct for men employed on special service...</i>						2,860.00		38,000.00	
<i>Medical Aid.</i>									
	Medicines ...	...	...	...		300.00			
	Hospital Charges ...	...	...	...		200.00		500.00	
<i>Rent.</i>									
	Hongkew Station (7 months) ...	...	...	...		875.00			
	„ Constables quarters (7 months) ...	...	...	...		50.00			
	Louza Station ...	...	...	...		335.00		1,260.00	
<i>Insurance.</i>									
	On Central Station ...	...	...	...		187.50			
	On Hongkew Station ...	...	...	...		127.00		314.50	
<i>Passages.</i>									
	For 2 men entitled to passages home, at Tls. 150 each... }							450.00	
	„ 1 man that may be invalided ... }								
<i>Carried forward.....</i>								40,524.50	

## MUNICIPAL BUDGET—Continued.

## INCOME.

	Tls.	cts.	Tls.	cts.
<i>Brought forward.....</i>	.....		172,447.00	
LICENSE FEES.				
FOREIGN AND NATIVE..				
FOREIGN.—				
From every Wine and Spirit Shop or Store, and from every Beer Store, and every House of Entertainment, from \$120 a \$200 annually	...	...	1,800.00	
<i>Billiard and Bowling Saloon</i> , for every night open—computed at the rate of \$3 per quarter	...	...	250.00	
each Billiard table or Bowling Alley	...	...	500.00	
<i>Telegraph and Telephone Fees</i>	...	...		
NATIVE,—				
From every Shop or Store selling Foreign Wine, Spirits or Beer at \$30 each per quarter...	...	...	1,300.00	
Water-carts...	...	...	380.00	
Opium-Houses	...	...	11,800.00	
Pawn-Shops...	...	...	2,500.00	
Wine-Shops...	...	...	1,400.00	
Sampanas	...	...	950.00	
Jin-rik-shas	...	...	8,600.00	
Wheelbarrows	...	...	4,000.00	
FOREIGN AND NATIVE—				
Cargo Boats...	...	...	4,800.00	
Livery Stables	...	...	2,500.00	
Theatres	...	...	500.00	
			41,280.00	
SANITARY BRANCH.				
Night-Soil, Sale of	...	...	2,050.00	
Lock Hospital Fees	...	...	450.00	
<i>Carried forward.....</i>	.....		216,227.00	

## MUNICIPAL BUDGET—Continued.

## EXPENDITURE.

	Tls.	cts.	Tls.	cts.
<i>Brought forward</i> .....	.....		40,524.50	
<i>Clothing.</i>				
For the whole force ... ..	.....		3,000.00	
<i>Funeral Expenses.</i>				
Provision for ... ..	.....		100.00	
<i>Pay—Native.</i>				
Coolies and messengers at all stations ... ..	530.00			
Punkah coolies ... ..	100.00			
			630.00	
<i>Prisoners' Food</i> ... ..	.....		1,250.00	
<i>Fuel and Light</i> ... ..	.....		1,800.00	
<i>Coolie hire, for carrying sick and drunken men, sampan hire &amp;c.</i>	.....		100.00	
<i>Printing, Advertising, Newspapers, Stationery</i> ... ..	.....		100.00	
<i>Miscellaneous charges</i> ... ..	.....		150.00	
			47,654.50	
<i>Relief of Poor.</i>				
For Foreign and Native poor ... ..	.....		300.00	
<b>SANITARY.</b>				
<b>FOREIGN AND NATIVE HOSPITALS.</b>				
General Hospital ... ..	2,000.00			
Hospitals for Chinese... ..	1,000.00			
Lock Hospital ... ..	1,500.00			
			4,500.00	
<b>MEDICAL BRANCH.</b>				
Pay of Officer of Health ... ..	500.00			
„ Municipal Surgeon ... ..	750.00			
Medical attendance for casualties in Hongkew ... ..	50.00			
			1,300.00	
<b>NUISANCE BRANCH.</b>				
<i>Pay—Foreign.</i>				
Inspector of Nuisances, Markets and Livery Stables ...	2,100.00			
3 Assistants... ..	1,320.00			
<i>Native.</i>				
Overseer ... ..	96.00			
<i>Carried forward</i> .....	3,516.00		53,754.50	

MUNICIPAL BUDGET—*Continued.*  
INCOME.

	Tls.	cts.	Tls.	cts.
<i>Brought forward</i> .....	.....		216,227.00	
<i>Carried forward</i> .....	.....		216,227.00	



MUNICIPAL BUDGET—*Continued.*

## EXPENDITURE.

	Tls.	cts.	Tls.	cts.
<i>Labour.</i>				
<i>Brought forward.....</i>	3,516.00		53,754.50	
For removing night-soil and garbage, and sweeping streets.	3,250.00			
Watchmen to prevent nuisances ... ..	300.00			
Weeding Roads ... ..	300.00			
Cleaning Sinks ... ..	1,000.00			
Watering the Roads of the Settlement and Bubbling Well Road ... ..	4,500.00			
Disinfectants ... ..	350.00			
			13,216.00	
<b>LIGHTING.</b>				
The Settlement and Bubbling Well Road ... ..				
Cost of painting lamp pillars ... ..			15,000.00	
<b>SURVEYOR'S OFFICE.</b>				
<i>Pay—Foreign Staff.</i>				
Surveyor (9 months on leave of absence) ... ..	2,250.00			
Acting Surveyor (9 months) ... ..	1,800.00			
Clerk ... ..	600.00			
2 Overseers ... ..	1,740.00			
	6,390.00			
<i>Native Staff.</i>				
Writer and Linguist ... ..	720.00			
Tracer ... ..	330.00			
Interpreter and Head-Foreman ... ..	210.00			
Carpenter ... ..	144.00			
Office-boy ... ..	84.00			
	1,488.00			
<i>Rent.</i>				
For Storing road materials ... ..	150.00			
„ „ Tools, &c., in Hongkew ... ..	180.00			
	330.00			
<i>Insurance.</i>				
On Furniture, instruments, plans, &c., in Surveyor's office ... ..	20.00			
<i>Fuel and Light</i> ... ..	75.00			
<i>Stationery, Newspapers, and Office Necessaries</i> ... ..	200.00			
			8,503.00	
<i>Carried forward.....</i>			90,473.50	

## MUNICIPAL BUDGET—Continued.

## INCOME.

	Tls.	cts.	Tls.	cts.
<i>Brought forward</i> .....	.....		216,	227.00

<i>Carried forward</i> .....	.....	216,	227.00
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## MUNICIPAL BUDGET—Continued.

## EXPENDITURE.

	Tls.	cts.	Tls.	cts.
<i>Brought forward.....</i>	.....		90,478.50	
<b>PUBLIC WORKS.</b>				
<i>Bridges.</i>				
General repairs ... ..	1,000.00			
<i>Buildings.</i>				
General repairs (including Bell-tower) ... ..	1,000.00			
<i>Bundings.</i>				
Repairs to Hongkew Creek, from North Yangtze to near "Endicott's Garden" ... ..	4,000.00			
Repairs ... ..	500.00			
	4,500.00			
<i>Drainage.</i>				
Chekiang road, from Hankow to Kiukiang road	400.00			
Honan road, between Pekin road and the creek ... ..	900.00			
Pekin road, from Keangse to Upper Yuen- ming-Yuen road... ..	960.00			
Subsidiary drains ... ..	1,000.00			
	8,260.00			
<i>Fire Wells.</i>				
At Hongkew ... ..	1,000.00			
Repairs... ..	500.00			
	1,500.00			
<i>Landing Stages.</i>				
2 New iron Pontoons ... ..	7,000			
General repairs ... ..	2,000			
	9,000.00			
<i>Roads.</i>				
Road materials ... ..	14,000			
Curbs and side-channels ... ..	3,000			
Chip pavement for native streets ... ..	3,000			
Labour ... ..	7,000			
Purchase of land for widening roads, and rounding street corners... ..	2,000			
	29,000.00			
<i>Telegraph Lines.</i>				
Maintenance of all lines by contract ... ..	1,500.00			
Repairs... ..	200.00			
	1,700.00			
<i>Carried forward.....</i>			141,433.50	

MUNICIPAL BUDGET—*Continued*  
INCOME.

	Tls.	cts.	Tls.	cts.
<i>Brought forward</i> .....	.....		216,	227.00
CEMETERIES.				
For Graves and Vaults ... ..	.....		450.	00
<i>Carried forward</i> .....	.....		216,	677.00

MUNICIPAL BUDGET—*Continued.*

## EXPENDITURE.

	Tls.	cts.	Tls.	cts.
<i>Brought forward.....</i>	.....		141,483.50	
<i>Outside Roads.</i>				
Maintenance of ... ..	3,400.00			
Trees ... ..	300.00			
			3,700.00	
<i>Public Garden.</i>				
Maintenance of ... ..	.....		1,000.00	
<b>CEMETERIES.</b>				
<i>Pay.</i>				
Sextoness for all Cemeteries, and allowance for labour and coolies ... ..	240.00			
Gardener for care of all Cemeteries and Cathedral Com- pound ... ..	635.00			
Chinese Government Ground Rent ... ..	71.00			
Filling in and turfing, a portion of New Cemetery ...	500.00			
Repairs to buildings and fences ... ..	300.00			
			1,746.00	
<b>SECRETARIAT.</b>				
<i>Pay—Foreign.</i>				
Secretary ... ..	4,240.00			
Accountant ... ..	2,800.00			
Assistants ... ..	7,125.00			
			14,165.00	
<i>Tax Office.</i>				
Collector of Rates ... ..	1,800.00			
2 Foreign Collectors of Chinese House Tax ...	1,320.00			
1 " " Sampan and cargo-boat tax ... ..	660.00			
			3,780.00	
<i>Native Staff.</i>				
Linguist and Assistant ... ..	720.00			
Compradore and Assistants ... ..	1,986.00			
2 Chinese tax-writers ... ..	300.00			
Sampan-man employed in the collection of sampan tax ... ..	96.00			
Godown-man ... ..	102.00			
Policeman at Council House ... ..	96.00			
<i>Native Servants.</i>				
For Municipal Offices ... ..	400.00			
Office-boy for Dues Office at Custom House ...	96.00			
Coolie for numbering Chinese houses ... ..	24.00			
			3,820.00	
			21,765.00	
<i>Carried forward.....</i>	.....		169,644.50	

MUNICIPAL BUDGET—*Continued.*

## INCOME.

	Tls.	cts.	Tls.	cts.
<i>Brought forward</i> .....			216,677.00	
PERMIT FEES.				
Fees for permits for connecting with public drains and for erecting sunshades ... ..			300.00	
LOCAL POST-OFFICE.				
Subscribers ... ..	2,500.00			
Loose Letters, etc. ... ..	900.00			
Expresses ... ..	350.00			
Stamps ... ..	700.00			
			4,450.00	
<i>Carried forward</i> .....			221,427.00	

MUNICIPAL BUDGET—*Continued.*

## EXPENDITURE.

	Tls.	cts.	Tls.	cts.
<i>Brought forward.....</i>	.....		169,644.50	
<b>GENERAL CHARGES.</b>				
<i>Fuel and Light.</i>				
For all Offices, Stables, Godowns, &c. ....	150.00			
<i>Insurance on Municipal Buildings</i> ....	262.50			
" " <i>Plant and Stores in Godown</i> ....	30.00			
<i>Law Expenses</i> ....	1,500.00			
<i>Audit Fee</i> ....	500.00			
<i>Stationery, Printing, Advertising and Newspapers</i> ....	2,000.00			
<i>Postages</i> ....	50.00			
<i>House and license numbers</i> ....	300.00			
<i>Incidentals</i> ....	150.00			
			4,942.50	
<b>STUD.</b>				
<i>Forage and Farriery.</i>				
For Animals for Public Works and for removing garbage, &c. ....	8,352.00			
" Superintendent and Inspector of Police ....	348.00			
" Surveyor ....	174.00			
" Collector and Overseer of Rates ....	174.00			
" Inspector of Nuisances, Markets, and Livery Stables	174.00			
			9,222.00	
<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT.</b>				
Contribution... ..	.....		3,000.00	
<b>VOLUNTEERS.</b>				
Maintenance of ... ..	3,000.00			
Band ... ..	1,000.00			
			4,000.00	
<b>LOCAL POST OFFICE.</b>				
Postmaster ... ..	2,000.00			
Assistant ... ..	240.00			
Delivery Coolies, Sampan, and Jin-rick-sha ... ..	1,700.00			
Mail Bags ... ..	50.00			
Printing, Advertising, Stationery and Newspapers ... ..	190.00			
Fuel and Gas ... ..	50.00			
Agencies at the Ports ... ..	250.00			
Incidentals ... ..	50.00			
Stamps from England ... ..	150.00			
			4,720.00	
<i>Carried forward.....</i>	.....		195,529.00	



MUNICIPAL BUDGET—*Continued.*

## INCOME.

	Tls.	cts.	Tls.	cts.
<i>Brought forward</i> .....	.....		221,427.00	
INTEREST.				
On Tls. 15,000 Municipal Debentures forming "Special Deposit" ... ..	1,200.00			
„ daily balance at Bank ... ..	150.00			
			1,350.00	
SINKING FUND.				
Interest on balance ... ..	399.00			
Amount to be withdrawn from fund at Bank for payment of portion of 1872 Loan ... ..	10,000.00			
			10,399.00	
STOCK AND STORES.				
Sales ... ..	.....		1,500.00	
			234,676.00	
<i>Surplus</i> , 31st December, 1878 ... ..	.....		39.99	
			234,715.99	
Depreciation on Stock and Stores, to be written off "General Balance" ... ..	.....		10,000.00	
			Tls...	244,715.99

## MUNICIPAL BUDGET—Continued.

## EXPENDITURE.

	Tls.	cts.	Tls.	cts.
<i>Brought forward</i> .....	.....		195,529.00	
<b>INTEREST.</b>				
On Debentures—Tls. 106,500 @ 8 per cent. ... ..	8,520.00			
„ Police Gratuity Fund ... ..	850.00			
„ „ Savings Bank ... ..	20.00			
			9,390.00	
<b>SINKING FUND</b> ... ..	.....		3,399.00	
<b>MUNICIPAL STOCK AND STORES.</b>				
Public Works—Purchase of harness, and repairs to rolling stock...)	1,500.00			
Sanitary Nuisance—do. ... ..	2,000.00			
Public Lamps ... ..	200.00			
Volunteer Stock—Cartridges ... ..	2,000.00			
			5,700.00	
<b>MUNICIPAL LOAN OF 1872.</b>				
For redemption of 200 Debentures ... ..	.....		20,000.00	
<b>SHANGHAI MUSEUM.</b>				
Contribution... ..	.....		250.00	
<b>CONTINGENCIES</b> ... ..	.....		447.99	
			234,715.99	
<i>Municipal Stock and Stores Account.</i>				
Amount to be written off for depreciation ... ..	...	...	10,000.00	
	Tals.....		244,715.99	

## SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURE.

	Tls.	cts.	Tls.	cts.
<i>Pay.</i>				
Police .. .. .	38,630.00			
Sanitary Branch—Nuisance .. .. .	3,516.00			
Surveyor's Office .. .. .	7,878.00			
Secretariat .. .. .	21,765.00			
Legal Adviser .. .. .	1,500.00			
Auditor .. .. .	500.00			
Medical .. .. .	1,300.00			
Local Post Office .. .. .	3,940.00			
Cemeteries .. .. .	875.00			
			79,904.00	
<i>Foreign and Native Hospitals</i> .. .. .	....		4,500.00	
<i>Telegraph</i> .. .. .	....		1,700.00	
<i>Rent.</i>				
Police Stations .. .. .	1,260.00			
Rent for storing road materials .. .. .	330.00			
			1,590.00	
<i>Insurance.</i>				
Police Stations .. .. .	314.50			
Municipal Buildings, including Surveyor's Office and Local Post Office .. .. .	312.50			
			627.00	
<i>Passages.</i>				
For Police Constables .. .. .	....		450.00	
<i>Clothing.</i>				
For Police Force .. .. .	....		3,000.00	
<i>Relief of Poor</i> .. .. .	....		300.00	
<i>Lighting</i> .. .. .	....		15,000.00	
<i>Labour.</i>				
Making and Repairing Roads .. .. .	7,000.00			
Scavenging and Watering Roads .. .. .	9,350.00			
Animal Labour .. .. .	9,222.00			
			25,572.00	
<i>Fuel and Light.</i>				
Police .. .. .	1,800.00			
Surveyor's Office .. .. .	75.00			
Secretariat .. .. .	150.00			
Local Post Office .. .. .	50.00			
			2,075.00	
<i>Public Works.</i>				
Outside Roads, .. .. .	....		42,260.00	
	....		3,700.00	
<i>Carried forward</i> .....	....		180,678.00	

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURE.—*Continued.*

		Tls.	cts.	Tls.	cts.
	<i>Brought forward.....</i>	....		180,678.00	
<i>Public Garden</i> .. .. .		....		1,000.00	
<i>Stationery, Printing, Advertising and Newspapers.</i>					
Police .. .. .		100.00			
Surveyor's Office .. .. .		200.00			
Secretariat .. .. .		2,000.00			
Local Post Office .. .. .		190.00			
				2,490.00	
<i>Volunteers</i> .. .. .		....		4,000.00	
<i>Fire Department</i> .. .. .		....		3,000.00	
<i>Interest</i> .. .. .		....		9,390.00	
<i>Sinking Fund</i> .. .. .		....		3,399.00	
<i>Stock and Stores</i> .. .. .		....		5,700.00	
<i>Municipal Loan 1872</i> .. .. .		....		20,000.00	
<i>Shanghai Museum</i> .. .. .		....		250.00	
<i>Miscellaneous Charges</i> .. .. .					
Police .. .. .		2,100.00			
Nuisance Branch .. .. .		350.00			
Secretariat .. .. .		500.00			
Local Post Office .. .. .		540.00			
Cemeteries .. .. .		871.00			
				4,361.00	
<i>Contingencies</i> .. .. .		....		447.99	
	<i>Tls.....</i>	....		234,715.99	



*Comparative Statement, showing the actual EXPENDITURE for 1878,  
and proposed DISBURSEMENTS for 1879.*

EXPENDITURE.	1878.		ESTIMATE 1879.	
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
<i>Police</i>				
Pay .. .. .	35,423.72		38,000.00	
Medical aid, rent, and incidental charges ..	10,609.96	46,083.68	9,654.50	47,654.50
<i>Relief of Poor</i> .. .. .		295.45		300.00
<i>Sanitary</i> .. .. .				
Foreign and Native Hospitals .. .. .	3,000.00		3,000.00	
Medical .. .. .	1,250.00		1,300.00	
Nuisance and Market .. .. .	13,330.78		13,216.00	
Lock Hospital .. .. .	945.94	18,526.72	1,500.00	19,016.00
<i>Lighting</i> .. .. .		14,255.51		15,000.00
<i>Surveyor's Office</i>				
Pay .. .. .	7,469.22		7,878.00	
Rent of ground for storing road materials, etc.	360.00		330.00	
Insurance fuel and light, stationery, etc. ..	426.38		295.00	
		8,255.60		8,503.00
<i>Public Works</i>				
Bridges .. .. .	3,326.91		1,000.00	
Buildings .. .. .	877.06		1,000.00	
Buildings .. .. .	7,696.03		4,500.00	
Latrines .. .. .	11.14			
Drainage .. .. .	2,391.82		3,260.00	
Fire-wells .. .. .			1,500.00	
Landing Stages .. .. .	4,807.73		9,000.00	
Roads .. .. .	50,147.36		29,000.00	
		69,258.05		49,260.00
<i>Outside Roads</i> .. .. .		3,860.62		3,700.00
<i>Cemeteries and Cathedral compound</i> .. .. .		1,313.09		1,746.00
<i>Public Garden</i> .. .. .		1,216.34		1,000.00
<i>Telegraph Lines</i> .. .. .		1,532.90		1,700.00
<i>Secretariat</i> .. .. .				
Pay, including collection of taxes .. .. .		21,102.85		21,765.00
<i>General charges</i>				
Legal Expenses .. .. .	1,499.32		1,500.00	
Audit .. .. .	500.00		500.00	
Fuel and light .. .. .	148.75		150.00	
Stationery, printing and advertising .. ..	1,863.73		2,000.00	
House and license numbers .. .. .	400.28		300.00	
Postages .. .. .	41.33		50.00	
Insurance .. .. .	112.38		292.50	
Incidental charges .. .. .	167.61		150.00	
		4,733.40		4,942.50
<i>Stud,—Animal labour, oil for harness, etc.</i> ..	....	8,533.33		9,222.00
<i>Carried Forward</i> ....		198,917.54		183,809.00

*Comparative Statement, showing the actual EXPENDITURE for 1878  
and proposed DISBURSEMENTS for 1879—Continued.*

EXPENDITURE.	1878.		ESTIMATE 1879.	
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
<i>Brought forward....</i>		198,917.54		183,809.00
<i>Fire Department .. .. .</i>	..	2,850.00	..	3,000.00
<i>Volunteers.. .. .</i>	..	2,109.90	..	4,000.00
<i>Local Post Office .. .. .</i>	..	4,591.01	..	4,720.00
<i>Municipal Stock and Stores.. .. .</i>	..	11,251.94	..	5,700.00
<i>Interest .. .. .</i>	..	8,378.48	..	9,390.00
<i>Sinking Fund .. .. .</i>	..	3,628.86	..	3,399.00
<i>Land and Buildings .. .. .</i>	..	25,885.36	..	
<i>Municipal Loan of 1873.. .. .</i>	..	10,000.00	..	
<i>" " 1872.. .. .</i>	..		..	20,000.00
<i>Shanghai Museum .. .. .</i>	..	250.00	..	250.00
<i>Tax Suspense .. .. .</i>	..	154.40	..	
<i>Contingencies .. .. .</i>	..	572.50	..	447.99
		268,589.99		234,715.99
<i>Municipal Stock and Stores Account, depreciation on .. .. .</i>	..	10,000.00	..	10,000.00
<i>Tls.....</i>		278,589.99	..	244,715.99